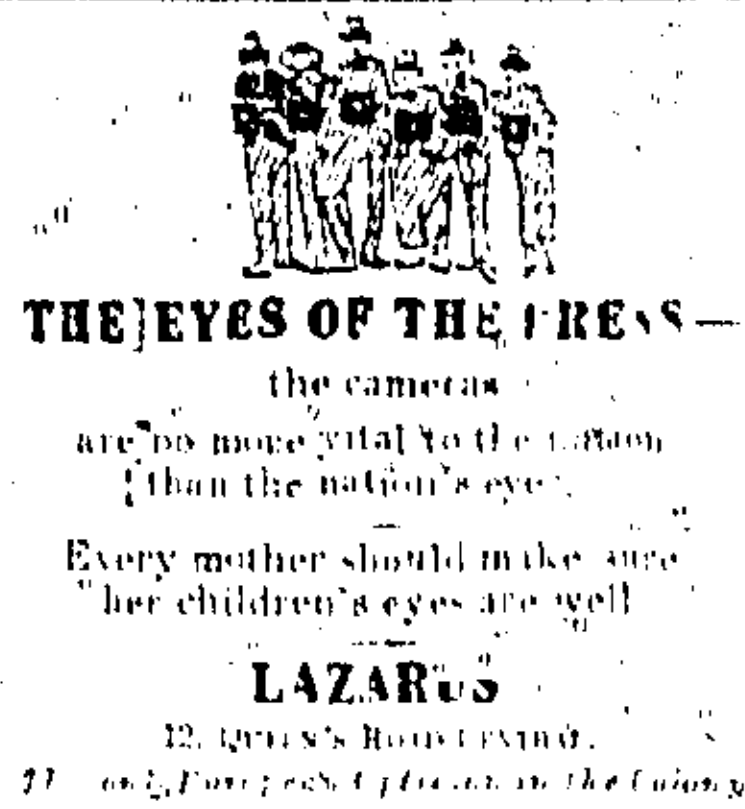




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COMMENTS ON FRENCH NOTE.

Britain Will Consider Reply Carefully.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, August 23.
Copies of the French Note have been circulated among the Cabinet Ministers. An immediate rejoinder is unlikely as it is felt it is a very complicated document, and must be thoroughly examined by experts before it will be possible to determine whether it constitutes a modification of France's attitude. Mr. Baldwin has not changed his plans, and departs on a holiday at Aix-les-Bains on August 26. It is pointed out that Belgium's reply has not yet been received, and will possibly contain constructive suggestions.

Paris, August 23.
The remark by the *Echo de Paris* "the document does not aim at victoriously refuting an enemy, but enlightening and convincing a friend whose assistance is precious, is the keynote of French Press comments, which are a chorus of praise for the 'clarity, precision, force, courtesy and firmness' of the French note. They refuse to believe that Britain will fail to listen to the voice of reason, or deliberately reject a plan for a settlement safeguarding her interests. Berlin, August 23.
The French Note is unfavourably commented upon by the papers, which do not see any prospect of a solution in it.

SOUTH AFRICAN FEELING.

Nationalists Attack Gen-Smuts.

Pretoria, August 23.
The opposition has profited by General Smuts' speech on August 15th, to launch violent attacks against the Premier. Mr. Hertzog, the Nationalist leader, has made a statement describing Gen. Smuts' speech as heralding a war with France, accusing the Premier of acting unconstitutionally in not calling a meeting of Parliament regarding participation in a new war, to which the position of Europe is moving.

Gen. Smuts, replying, characterises the assertion of the possibility of an Anglo-French war as sheer madness. On the contrary, Anglo-French differences are being discussed as between friends. He wonders whether Mr. Hertzog's references to a great split among the South African people relates to another rebellion, but is inclined to believe it is merely typical of Hertzog's violence of expression.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS COMMITTEES.

Issue of Warnings Against Anthrax.

Geneva, August 23.
It is announced that the United States accepts the invitation of the Council of the League of Nations to be represented at the meeting of the fifth Commission, at which humanitarian questions will be discussed. The American delegates will act in a consultative capacity. The meeting of the joint advisory committee on agriculture has dealt with the prevention of anthrax infection, which will be discussed at the forthcoming meeting of the International Institute of Agriculture, which draws the attention of the different Governments to the urgent necessity for steps to cope with the disease.

LENIN'S NERVES OUT OF ORDER.

Riga, August 23.
A message from Moscow states that after a holiday in the country Lenin's health has improved. His pulmonary and other organic complications have ceased. On the contrary his impediment of speech and general state of nerves is causing anxiety.

JAPANESE-AMERICAN ARBITRATION TREATY.

Washington, August 22.
The Arbitration Treaty between Japan and America has been renewed for five years, with a proviso that disputes thereunder may be referred to the Court of International Justice in the event of America becoming a member of it.

RUSSIAN TERRITORIALS MOBILISED.

Riga, August 23.
A message from Moscow says the Council of Labour Defence has ordered the mobilisation of the so-called territorial army for instructional purposes, in pursuance of the Soviet's decision to create a regular army.

EFFECT OF FRENCH NOTE ON EXCHANGE.

London, August 23.
Both French and Belgian francs have improved since the delivery of the French Note, and to-day were quoted at 81.25 and 101.75. Marks remain in the doldrums, quoted at twenty-four millions to the pound sterling.

NOTTS DEFEATS KENT.

London, August 23.
At Dover, Notts beat Kent by ten wickets. Kent in their first innings scored 162, Barratt taking 4 for 48, and in their second 116, Barratt taking 6 for 48. For Notts, Carr compiled 105.

NEW RUSSIAN STOCK EXCHANGES.

Riga, August 23.
A message from Moscow states that the Soviets are arranging to open stock exchanges at Chita, Vladivostok, Khark, and Tashkent.

TURKS ACCEPT LAUSANNE PACT.

Constantinople, August 23.
The Angora National Assembly has ratified the Lausanne Treaty by 215 to 20.

(Other Telegrams on Page 2.)

SUN LEAVING?

RUMOURS FROM CANTON.

Reported Disagreement With Yunnanese.

Rumours are again afloat that Dr. Sun Yat-sen is preparing to flee from Canton.

A Canton correspondent, writing us under date of yesterday, states that reports are current to the effect that Dr. Sun has made preparations to go aboard the cruiser Wing Fung. As to the reasons for this, it is stated that a demand has been made by the Yunnanese commanders for the instant dismissal of Sun Fo, the Mayor, who is a son of Dr. Sun Yat-sen.

A report reaches us from another source to the effect that various rumours are in circulation owing to the fact that Dr. Sun has again and again postponed his intended departure to the East River front. One of these rumours is that Dr. Sun has had a disagreement with General Young Hsi-man, the Yunnanese commander-in-chief, and that the latter is now confined to the Generalissimo's Headquarters. Another rumour is that General Young Hsi-man, who had agreed to proceed with Dr. Sun to the East River front, has secretly left for an unknown destination.

Yet another report states that Dr. Sun has gone aboard a warship and has ordered all the other naval boats loyal to him to be in readiness to leave at a moment's notice.

None of these reports can be confirmed at the moment, as telegraphic communication with Canton is interrupted.

Officially, nothing is known locally of the authenticity or otherwise of these reports, although it is said that one or two of Sun's officials have arrived here. This we have been unable to confirm.

The situation in Canton at the moment is certainly delicate, and it is stated that the Yunnanese, who have recently been gaining control of various districts, may become neutral or may even join hands with General Chan King-ming.

WUCHOW AFFAIR.

General Fung Still a Prisoner.

It is now being openly stated in Press messages that the West River peace terms, recently arranged between General Ngal Bong-ping, commanding the Kwangtung troops, and the Kwangsi authorities, in the presence of an American gunboat commander, were openly violated by the Cantonese troops under Li Chai-sun and Li Shu-hung when they entered Wuchow and forcibly took prisoner General Fung Po-choo, who was appointed by both sides to take charge of the city. General Fung, it is stated, was bound with ropes and confined to the strong room in the Kwangsi Bank building. He is said to have been guilty of supplying arms and ammunition to General Shum Hung-ying, but the allegation is stated to be false.

A Canton correspondent informs us that on Wednesday he heard from Wuchow that General Fung is still a prisoner and that a further deputation of the gentry and representatives of the American and British consuls endeavoured to see him, but they were informed that they could not do so as the guard, with the key of the strong room, was absent. This is believed to be bluff and that there is no intention of permitting any deputation to see General Fung.

CHINA SQUADRON REGATTA.

Keen Sport at Wei Hai Wei.

The results have just arrived in Hongkong of the China Squadron annual regatta, held at Wei-hai-wei, and productive of keen contests and some close finishes.

These was an energetic committee of officers, who carried out the duties of judges and starters very efficiently. The President was Captain A. H. Allington, R. N., and the Hon. Secy. and Treasurer was Paym. Lt. W. McBride, R. N.

Rowing Events.

On the first day there were fourteen rowing events, resulting as follows:—

Whaler race (H. M. S. Despatch 1, Hawkins 2, Hollyhook 3). Cutter race (for marines): Despatch 1, Carlisle 2, Despatch 3. Gig race (officers): for the Arthur's Cup—Despatch 1, Titania and Carlisle dead heat.

Whaler race (E. R. A.'s.) for the Ambrose Cup—Titania 1, Durban 2, Despatch 3.

Skiff race (warrant officers): Hawkins 1, Carlisle and Ambrose dead heat.

Gig race (gunroom officers) for the Baird Cup—Hawkins 1, Despatch 2, Hawkins 3.

Cutter race (seamen) for the Captain's Cup—Carlisle 1, Hawkins 2, Carlisle 3.

Whaler race (ex-cused daymen): Ambrose 1, Durban 2, Despatch 3.

Berthon boat race (submarine officers):—L7 1st; L5, 2nd; L33, 3rd.

Skiff race (vet. P.O.'s. and P.O.'s.):—Despatch 1, Carlisle 2, Ambrose 3.

Whaler race (signalmen and tele.):—Titania 1, Despatch 2, Carlisle 3.

Giz race:—Despatch 1, Ambrose 2, Hawkins 3.

Cutter race (stokers) for the Minotaur Cup—Carlisle 1, Hawkins 2, Ambrose 3.

Whaler race (artizans):—Despatch 1, Hawkins 2, Carlisle 3.

Fourteen further events were contested on the second day. The results were:—

Skiff race (midshipmen) for Lady Leveson's Cup—Midshipman Gale 1, Midshipman Edwards 2.

Cutter race (for the Chefoo Cup)—Carlisle 1, Despatch 2, Hawkins 3.

Skiff race (officers)—Hawkins 1, Carlisle 2, Titania 3.

Whaler race (marines) for the Marine Officers' Cup—Titania 1, Despatch 2, Ambrose 3.

Cutter race (P.O.'s.):—Hawkins 1, Durban 2, Hawkins 3.

Gig race (C.P.O.'s.):—Hawkins 1, Carlisle 2, Ambrose and Durban dead heat.

Whaler race (E. R. department) for the Wei-hai-wei Cup—Hawkins 1, Despatch 2, Hawkins 3.

Skiff race:—Titania 1, Carlisle 2, Despatch 3.

Cutter race (seamen, 1923 years):—Carlisle 1, Despatch 2, Durban 3.

Whaler race (boys' 1st and 2nd):—Durban 1, Hawkins 2, Carlisle 3.

Skiff race (vet. officers):—Titania 1, Despatch 2, Carlisle 3.

Berthon boat race (submarine men):—L19, 1st; L7, 2nd; L5, 3rd.

Skiff-sculling race (midshipmen) for Lady Leveson's Cup—Midshipman Gale, winner.

All-comers race (for the Jackson Cup)—Hawkins 1, Despatch 2, Carlisle 3.

The Champion Ship.

On the points for places being totted up the following was the result:—

Winning ship, H.M.S. Despatch (536 points).

2nd, H. M. S. Hawkins (519 points).

3rd, H. M. S. Carlisle (490½ points).

The other ships came in the following order:—Durban 333, Titania 294, Ambrose 271½, Hollyhook 38. The Diomedes could not compete, being away at Amoy, and there were no entries from the Marazion.

Football Shield Contest.

The semi-final of the Wei Hai Wei "soccer" shield was fought out between the Hawkins and

THE TYPHOON.

How Macao Suffered.

Observations made of the effects of the typhoon, in Macao by a *Telegraph* correspondent who went there for the purpose show that the Portuguese Colony came rather badly out of the experience and confirm the worst fears as to the serious loss of life. Before the approach of the storm, junks had taken refuge in the inner harbour, considered to be a safe enough shelter with its narrow limits and shallow depths, but owing to the fact that the vessels were tied together in rows of ten or twenty bumping and serious collisions could not be avoided, with the result that about a hundred boats were badly damaged or sunk, and over 300 lives lost. The Portuguese patrol boat Namwan was capsized in endeavouring to rescue the crew of the Sackki ferry boat.

A large match erected for a theatrical show and standing on piles in water was blown down by the typhoon. The correspondent remarked that had the typhoon made its visit in the evening, when a performance was due to take place, the loss of lives might have run to a thousand either by fire or by drowning in the water over which the structure was built.

Police and firemen under the superintendence of the Commissioner, Senhor Cabacao were kept busy in the humanitarian task of clearing debris from fallen houses to look for victims, the work being mostly performed by hand, as it was feared that to use a spade or shovel would be dangerous for possible survivors. About twenty houses were wrecked, and a dozen people lost their lives on land, it was stated.

The work of clearing the debris caused by the storm and recovering dead bodies has been done in an organized way. The directors of the Kiangsu Hospital sent out junks to sweep the sea for corpses, which, when full, were towed back to land by a launch supplied by the Government.

The Lappa Customs also lent its cruiser "Loongching" for the purpose, whilst a subscription has been opened for the benefit of the dependents of those who lost their lives in the great storm. Towards the incidental expenses of this benevolent work the Government has expressed its willingness to donate a sum.

The loss of vessels so far reported are as follows:—

Passenger junk Kung On, sunk between Macao and Shaki with the loss of over 200 lives.

The junk Win Tai sunk with the loss of six lives.

Salt junk sunk with the loss of nine of the crew.

Chinese gunboat sunk with loss of five lives.

Twenty-five fishing junks, with loss of 53 lives.

A hundred and seventeen fishing junks badly damaged.

A junk carrying stone sunk with 24 of the crew drowned.

Another junk carrying timber sunk with 22 lives lost.

Durban, and a well-contested game resulted in a win for the Durban by one goal to nil.

The Durban met the Titania in the final. The result was a foregone conclusion, and the match was not half as interesting as the semi-final had been. The Durban by two goals to nil at half time, and won the game by four goals to one. H. M. S. Durban has now won the shield two years in succession, and has the record of not having been beaten at Wei-hai-wei in either season.

Rifle-Shooting.

The results of this year's shooting contests are as follow:—

Dorward Cup, won by Island Guard.

Bedford Cup, won by Despatch. Canteen Revolver Challenge Cup, won by Despatch.

Active Service Cup, won by Durban.

Pekin Cup, won by Ambrose. Aggregate Cup (rifle), won by P. O. Hayes of the Island Guard. Aggregate Cup (pistol), won by Ch. Wright Parkes of the Titania.

MOTOR TRIALS.

To-morrow's Events.

At the moment the conditions for the motor car and cycle contests at Tsin Wan to-morrow look promising. Yesterday, a number of trial runs were carried out in the presence of officials and they were in every way satisfactory.

A large gathering of motorists and their friends is expected to present at to-morrow's contests.

Printed instructions have been issued to competitors. These state those competing must take up their positions behind the starting line for the Acceleration Test not later than 2 p.m. Competitors must be ready when their official number is called to start off in this test, after completing which they will proceed further along the road and park some yards behind a white line, in readiness for the Hill Climb.

When all cars and cycles have completed the Acceleration Test, they will compete in the same order for Hill Climb.

Upon completing the climb up Tsin Wan Hill, competitors must remain at the top until told to return.

The following points are emphasised in the instructions to competitors:—

(a) The Acceleration Test and the Hill Climb will be done in separate runs by each competitor.

(b) You must not start until your Official Number is called.

(c) At the end of the Hill Climb you must wait until you are directed to return to the starting line. Under no circumstances must you attempt to return until the road is signalled clear, or serious damage to another upcoming competitor may occur.

Competitors are reminded that no cars or cycles will be permitted down Tsin Wan Hill after 2 p.m., at which hour the road will be closed to vehicular traffic. The public can, of course, arrive at the top of Tsin Wan Hill any time during the afternoon, to witness the finish of the hill climb, but they will not be permitted to motor down the hill after 2 p.m.

Arrangements are being made for the provision of refreshments (liquors and sandwiches) but no fees will be available.

All competitors are reminded of the necessity of wearing their badges and displaying their official numbers. There are still a few who have not sent in for their number cards. They are requested to send to this office without delay.

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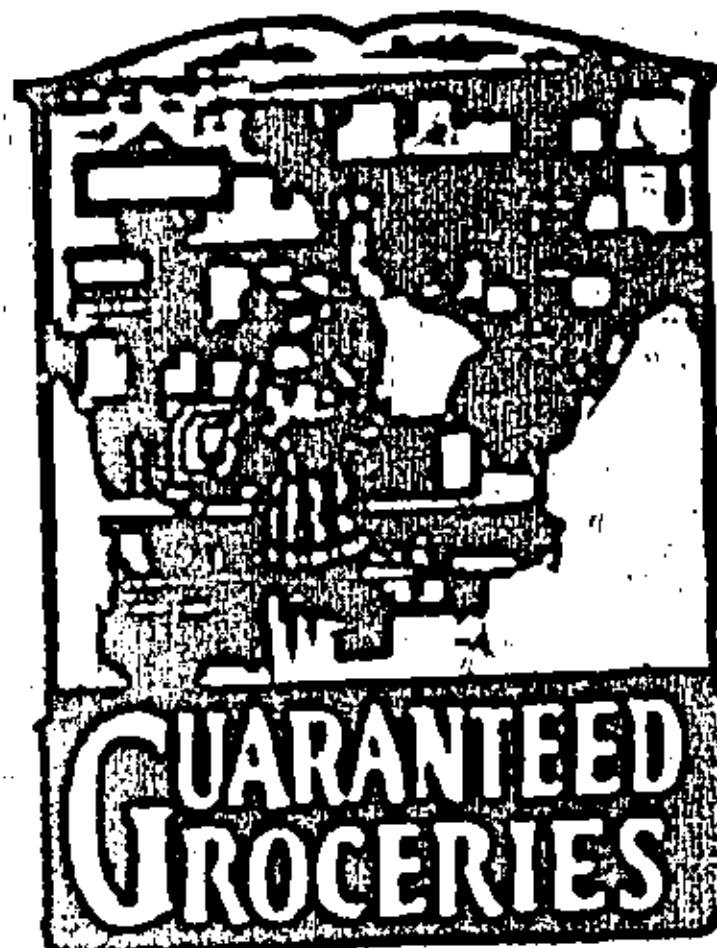
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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

FRENCH REPLY TO BRITISH NOTE.

London, August 23.

The morning papers generally agree in paying a tribute to the friendly tone of the French Note, but the phrase "Poincare gives nothing" sums up the bulk of the comment.

The *Times* says the frank declarations are a definite advantage as clearing the air, but it must be admitted that the differences between the British and French viewpoints are still very great. Nevertheless it is earnestly hoped the plain speaking will point the way to a settlement.

The *Daily Telegraph* declares the Note leaves things precisely as they were and indicates no approximation of common ground whereon Britain and France can hope to renew the deeply desired united action.

The *Daily News* expresses the opinion that the reply does not carry the world any nearer a solution or point a way to rescue Central Europe from ruin. If M. Poincare forgets nothing, he admits nothing and proposes nothing he has not proposed less amiably already.

The *Daily Chronicle* concludes that the Note has ended all hopes of common action, as it does not contain a basis for discussion. It hopes Britain will not be drawn into an endless controversy. The worst result would be that we could neither settle quickly nor part.

The *Daily Mail* alongtakes a favourable view and declares the Note gives Britain a great opportunity to reach a close understanding, whereby the mischief of the past three years can be undone, and the Entente restored.

The *Daily Express* profoundly regrets that the French have met the British proposals in a spirit of inflexible obstinacy. M. Poincare asks for everything and gives nothing. The British Government must now turn its back on Europe and leave the Europeans to stew in their own juice. Britain's future resides in her Dominions and Colonies.

The *Westminster Gazette* thinks the reply brings Britain and France no nearer settlement, but serves only to demonstrate how impossible it is to reconcile Anglo-French policy. The note imposes on Britain the duty of facing the necessity of separate action. Further discussions on rigid lines will only weaken the British case and delay settlement, possibly ultimately attainable by other methods.

The *Morning Post* says it is clear that a common formula has not yet been reached, but it is a heart to heart talk between Mr. Baldwin and M. Poincare, rather than an exchange of Notes, to which we must look for a statesmanlike attempt at settlement. The crux of the situation is that the first step towards a solution lies in the cessation of passive resistance.

The *Daily Herald* says the Note proves beyond dispute that the French Government remains where it was. Its policy is one of no change. M. Poincare's reasoning is at points obtrusively unsound, and as a whole utterly unconvincing.

FIGHTING IN MOROCCO.

Madrid, August 22.

Spanish reinforcements reached Tifauruin, inflicting severe punishment on the rebels.

The Spanish losses at Tifauruin were one officer, forty-six Spanish soldiers and thirty-six native troops killed and three officers wounded.

Madrid, August 23.

The enemy is hard pressed and demoralized at Tifauruin but the Spanish columns remain encamped in the neighbourhood in case of an enemy offensive. The total Spanish losses at Tifauruin are approximately three hundred killed and wounded. Great enthusiasm was displayed in Spain at the relief of Tifauruin.

JAPANESE SUBMARINE HEAVILY INSURED.

London, August 23.

The *Times* says it is believed that the Japanese submarine sunk in Kobe was insured in the London market while she was in the course of construction. Her insured value exceeded a quarter million pounds sterling. London insurance interests very likely are widely spread among Lloyds' underwriters and insurance companies.

MOTOR-ASSISTED GLIDER RECORD.

Paris, August 23.

In the tests being carried out of motor-assisted gliders at Vauville, M. Barbot flew for six hours four minutes and two seconds, covering a distance of 212 kilometres, thus provisionally winning the Dreyfus cup. This is the longest circular non-stop flight on record.

THE LIVING HEART.

Looking At the Works.

Looking into the living heart with the cardiophone, the invention of Dr. D. S. Allen of St. Louis, is the latest development for studying the organ that is now giving such solicitude. This apparatus is a kind of small microscope, which, as the operator watches at the lens, projects a powerful light into the incision made just over the heart. The heart in action is seen without injury to it and the information obtained is likely to be especially valuable in such cases as widening or narrowing of the valves.

Dr. H. Lillenthal, of Cornell Medical School, calls attention to the further great advance of recent years in chest surgery.

This has been due to many changes, including the use of adrenalin, the phonograph for amplifying heart sounds, the cardiograph for recording heart action on smoked paper, and electric photography of the working organ. Increased concern has arisen from the gain in the disease of modern civilization. Heart disease has passed tuberculosis and pneumonia, and in 1920, with 147,7 victims per 100,000 inhabitants, became the largest single cause of death in the registration area of the United States.

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE.

Keen Competition In Eastern and Pacific Trades.

In their annual report for 1922, the directors of the Java-China-Japan Line, at Amsterdam, say:

The keen competition by Japanese and United States tonnage, and later also by Chinese ships, increased even further in 1922, and the freight continued to decline on all routes. The business of the company suffered severely by the strike of seamen at Hongkong, which broke out in January last year and lasted seven weeks. Passenger trade also diminished considerably.

Trade on the Java-Pacific Line declined further, and the ships in this service had to sail with a considerable dead freight. The large decline in the trade from the Netherlands East Indies to the West Coast of America is chiefly due to the entire stoppage of exports of copra, sugar, and other goods. Compensation was to a certain degree found in the increased shipments of sugar and oil from the Philippines to the West Coast of America. It was, however, decided to reduce the number of sailings in 1923, and the service is now carried out by four steamers, the sailings being monthly.

The sites at Tandjong Priok were nearly completed at the end of last year.

The services of the United Netherlands Shipping Co. are developing satisfactorily, and the loss is considerably less than in the previous year.

A definite decision relative to the completion of the steamer *Jisarooca* has not yet been taken. The steamer *Tijbesar* was completed in October, 1922, but was laid up until January, 1923, when employment was found for her outside the ordinary trade of the company. The steamer *Tijlandi* remained on time charter to the United Netherlands Shipping Co. throughout the whole year.

As the building programme has been practically completed, the name of the reserve fund for new tonnage was altered to reserve for depreciation and renewal, and the repair fund was renamed repair and survey fund.

After allowing for taxes, the balance of the miscellaneous reserve amounts to 5,000,000 gld., and the directors propose to write off 500,000 gld. from this reserve to meet the loss on last year's trading.

No dividend will be paid, and a balance of 1,192 gld. carried forward.

VIRTUES OF EARLY CHRISTIANS.

Discovery at the British Museum.

The manuscript recently acquired by the British Museum, containing on two attached leaves of a papyrus book of the fourth century a portion of "The Song of Solomon," and a portion of the "Apology" of Aristides, a Christian work of the second century, was obtained. Sir Frederic Kenyon informed a representative of the *Observer*, with a batch of papyri from a dealer. Mr. Milne, assistant in the Department of MSS., identified it and told Sir Frederic about it, and the complete text will be published shortly in the "Journal of Theological Studies."

A Syriac translation of this "Apology" was discovered in 1889 in a convent at Mount Sinai by Dr. Rendel Harris. What it was being printed Dr. Armitage Robinson, the present Dean of Wells, recognized that it had been incorporated in a well-known Greek romance entitled "Barlaam and Josaphat," written in the seventh or eighth century.

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"Barlaam and Josaphat," Sir Frederic explained, is a Christian romance based upon the story of Buddha. In this story the young prince Josaphat, who is brought up in his father's court, is impelled, just as Buddha was impelled, to break away from the ancestral religion and to preach his own.

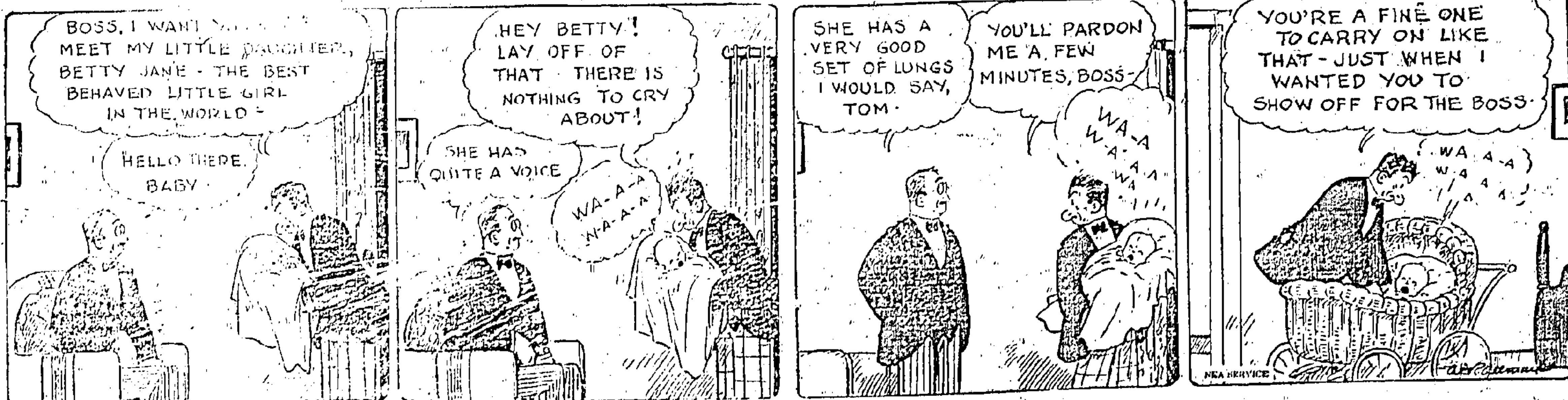
AN INSPIRED SPEECH. It is much against his father's will that he has been converted to Christianity, and the father arranges that an advocate of Christianity shall appear before the Court and speak so feebly as to be refuted by the representative of the priests of what he regards as the orthodox religion. A man named Nachor is put forward as the Christian advocate to let himself be defeated; but, like Barlaam in the Old Testament, he is inspired, and his speech is such an effective and powerful defence of Christianity that the Court is converted.

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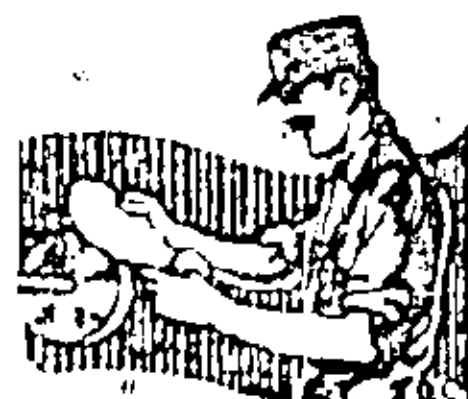
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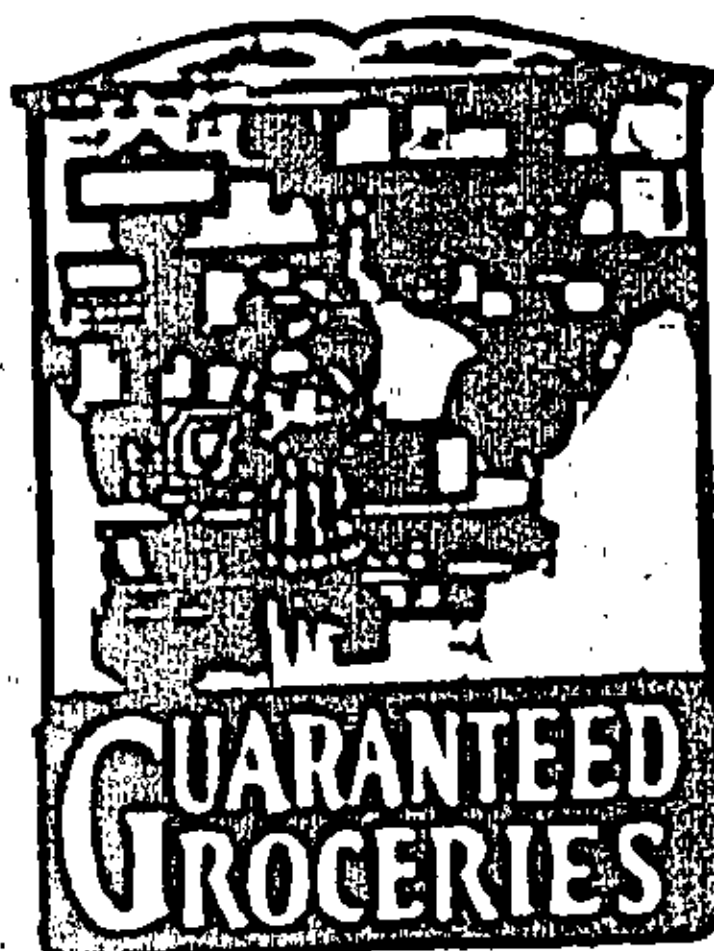
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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

FRENCH REPLY TO BRITISH NOTE.

London, August 23.

The morning papers generally agree in paying a tribute to the friendly tone of the French Note, but the phrase "Poincare gives nothing" sums up the bulk of the comment.

The Times says the frank declarations are a definite advantage as clearing the air, but it must be admitted that the differences between the British and French viewpoints are still very great. Nevertheless it is earnestly hoped the plain speaking will point the way to a settlement.

The Daily Telegraph declares the Note leaves things precisely as they were and indicates no approximation of common ground whereon Britain and France can hope to renew the deeply desired united action.

The Daily News expresses the opinion that the reply does not carry the world any nearer a solution or point a way to rescue Central Europe from ruin. If M. Poincare forgets nothing, he admits nothing and proposes nothing he has not proposed less urbanely already.

The Daily Chronicle concludes that the Note has ended all hopes of common action, as it does not contain a basis for discussion. It hopes Britain will not be drawn into an endless controversy. The worst result would be that we could neither settle quickly nor part.

The Daily Mail alone takes a favourable view and declares the Note gives Britain a great opportunity to reach a close understanding, whereby the mischief of the past three years can be undone, and the Entente restored.

The Daily Express profoundly regrets that the French have met the British proposals in a spirit of inflexible obstinacy. M. Poincare asks for everything and gives nothing. The British Government must now turn its back on Europe and leave the Europeans to stew in their own juice. Britain's future resides in her Dominions and Colonies.

The Westminster Gazette thinks the reply brings Britain and France no nearer settlement, but serves only to demonstrate how impossible it is to reconcile Anglo-French policy. The note imposes on Britain the duty of facing the necessity of separate action. Further discussions on rigid lines will only weaken the British case and delay settlement, possibly ultimately attainable by other methods.

The Morning Post says it is clear that a common formula has not yet been reached, but it is a heart to heart talk between Mr. Baldwin and M. Poincare, rather than an exchange of Notes, to which we must look for a statesmanlike attempt at settlement. The crux of the situation is that the first step towards a solution lies in the cessation of passive resistance.

The Daily Herald says the Note proves beyond dispute that the French Government remains where it was. Its policy is one of no change. M. Poincare's reasoning is at points obviously unsound, and as a whole utterly unconvincing.

FIGHTING IN MOROCCO.

Madrid, August 22.

Spanish reinforcements reached Tifaurain, inflicting severe punishment on the rebels.

The Spanish losses at Tifaurain were one officer, forty-six Spanish soldiers and thirty-six native troops killed and three officers wounded.

Madrid, August 23.

The enemy is hard pressed and demoralised at Tifaurain but the Spanish columns remain engaged in the neighbourhood in case of an enemy offensive. The total Spanish losses at Tifaurain are approximately three hundred killed and wounded. Great enthusiasm was displayed in Spain at the relief of Tifaurain.

JAPANESE SUBMARINE HEAVILY INSURED.

London, August 23.

The Times says it is believed that the Japanese submarine sunk in Kobe was insured in the London market while she was in the course of construction. Her insured value exceeded a quarter million pounds sterling. London insurance interests were widely spread among Lloyds' underwriters and insurance companies.

MOTOR-ASSISTED GLIDER RECORD.

Paris, August 23.

In the tests being carried out of motor-assisted gliders at Vauville, M. Barbot flew for six hours four minutes and two seconds, covering a distance of 212 kilometres, thus provisionally winning the Dreyfus cup. This is the longest circular non-stop flight on record.

THE LIVING HEART.

Looking At the Works.

Looking into the living heart with the cardioscope, the invention of Dr. D. S. Allen of St. Louis, is the latest development for studying the organ that is now giving such solicitude. This apparatus is a kind of small microscope, which, as the operator watches at the lens, projects a powerful light into the incision made just over the heart. The heart in action is seen without injury to it and the information obtained is likely to be especially valuable in such cases as widening or narrowing of the valves.

Dr. H. Lillenthal, of Cornell Medical School, calls attention to the further great advance of recent years in chest surgery. This has been due to many changes, including the use of adrenalin, the phonograph for amplifying heart sounds, the cardioscope for recording heart action on smoked paper, and electric photography of the working organ. Increased concern has arisen from the gain in the disease of modern civilization. Heart disease has passed tuberculosis and pneumonia, and in 1920, with 147,7 victims per 100,000 inhabitants, became the largest single cause of death in the registration area of the United States.

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE.

Keen Competition In Eastern and Pacific Trades.

In their annual report for 1922, the directors of the Java-China-Japan Line, at Amsterdam, say:

The keen competition by Japanese and United States tonnage, and later also by Chinese ships, increased even further in 1922, and the freight continued to decline on all routes. The business of the company suffered severely by the strike of seamen at Hongkong, which broke out in January last year and lasted seven weeks. Passenger trade also diminished considerably.

Trade on the Java-Pacific Line declined further, and the ships in this service had to sail with a considerable dead freight. The large decline in the trade from the Netherlands East Indies to the West Coast of America is chiefly due to the entire stoppage of exports of copra, sugar, hemp, copra-hoil and dry sugar. Compensation was to a certain degree found in the increased shipments of sugar and oil from the Philippines to the West Coast of America. It was, however, decided to reduce the number of sailings in 1923, and the service is now carried out by four steamers, the sailings being monthly.

The sites at Tandjong Priok were nearly completed at the end of last year.

The services of the United Netherlands Shipping Co. are developing satisfactorily, and the loss is considerably less than in the previous year.

A definite decision relative to the completion of the steamer Djisroea has not yet been taken. The steamer Tjibesar was completed in October, 1922, but was laid up until January, 1923, when employment was found for her outside the ordinary trade of the company. The steamer Tjibesar remained on time charter to the United Netherlands Shipping Co. throughout the whole year.

As the building programme has been practically completed, the name of the reserve fund for new tonnage was altered to reserve for depreciation and renewal, and the repair fund was renamed repair and survey fund.

After allowing for taxes, the balance of the miscellaneous reserve amounts to 5,000,000 gld., and the directors propose to write off 500,000 gld. from this reserve to meet the loss on last year's trading.

No dividend will be paid, and a balance of 4,162 gld. carried forward.

VIRTUES OF EARLY CHRISTIANS.

Discovery at the British Museum.

The manuscript recently acquired by the British Museum, containing on two attached leaves of a papyrus book of the fourth century a portion of "The Song of Solomon," and a portion of the "Apology" of Aristides, a Christian work of the second century, was obtained. Sir Frederic Kenyon informed a representative of the "Observer" with a batch of papyri from a dealer. Mr. Milne, assistant in the Department of MSS., identified it and told Sir Frederic about it, and the complete text will be published shortly in the "Journal of Theological Studies."

A Syriac translation of this "Apology" was discovered in 1889 in a convent at Mount Sinai by Dr. Rendel Harris. Whilst it was being printed Dr. Armitage Robinson, the present Dean of Wells, recognised that it had been incorporated in a well-known Greek romance entitled "Barlaam and Josaphat," written in the seventh or eighth century.

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"Barlaam and Josaphat," Sir Fred. Kenyon explained, is a Christian romance based upon the story of Buddha. In this story the young prince Josaphat, who is brought up in his father's court, is impelled, just as Buddha was impelled, to break away from the ancestral religion and to preach his own.

AN INSPIRED SPEECH. It is much against his father's will that he has been converted to Christianity, and the father arranges that an advocate of Christianity shall appear before the Court and speak so feebly as to be refuted by the representative of the orthodox religion. A man named Nachor is put forward as the Christian advocate to let himself be defeated; but, like Barlaam in the Old Testament, he is inspired, and his speech is such an effective and powerful defence of Christianity that the Court is converted.

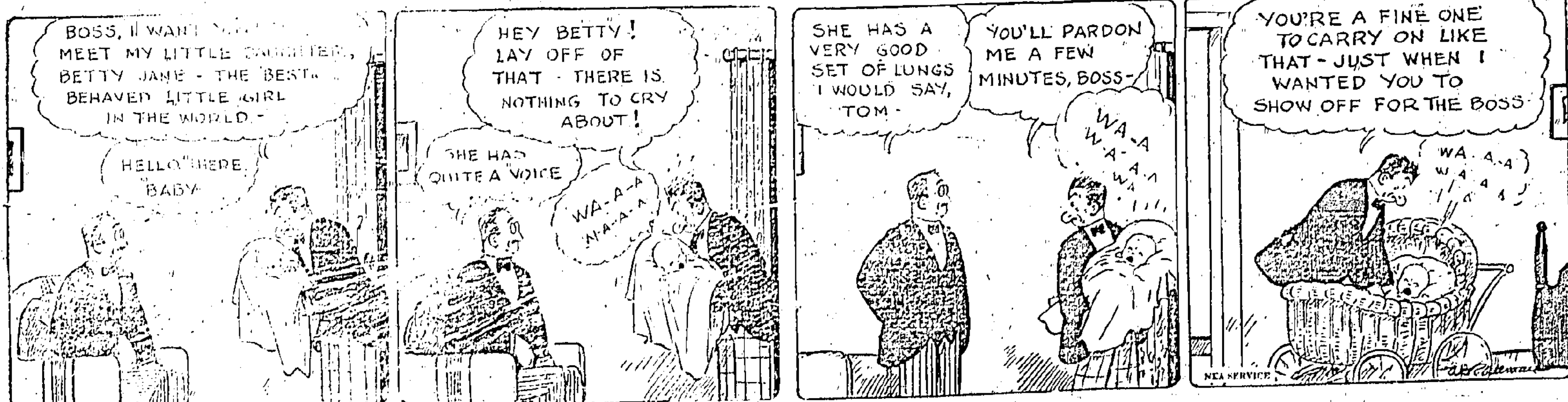
The speech put forward by Nachor is this: "Defence of Christianity." The speech was originally written by a certain Aristides, and addressed to the Emperor Hadrian, in about the year 125. There were certain discrepancies between the Syriac translation discovered by Dr. Rendel Harris and the Greek version as it appeared in the romance of "Barlaam and Josaphat." The discovery we have now made confirms on the whole," Sir Frederic added, "the trustworthiness of the Syriac."

The passage preserved in the British Museum papyrus contains a description of the virtues of the Christians which were merely summarised in "Barlaam and Josaphat," and draws a pleasing picture of the life of the Christian community, their care for the poor and for slaves, their brotherly love, and their faith in God and gratitude for His goodness. It seems curious that the "Apology" found at the Museum should have been bound up with "The Song of Solomon." The explanation suggested by Sir Frederic is that it was simply the owner, who was in both books.

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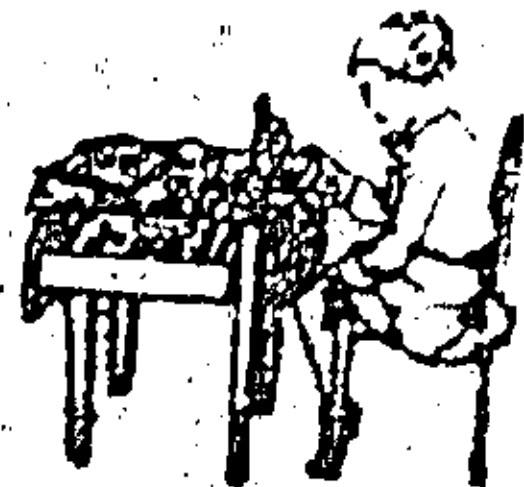
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EXHIBITION.A Joint Meeting
Yesterday.

Mr. Li Po-kwai presided at a meeting of the Exhibition Committee of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce yesterday morning. For the first time at these meetings members of the Joint Committee representing the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce were present. Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, Secretary for Chinese Affairs, Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak (Chairman of the Joint Committee), Mr. J. Fleming, of Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews, and Mr. D. K. Blair, Secretary of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, were present during the latter stage of the proceedings with a view to enlightening the Chinese Chamber on any points on which information might be required.

At the outset the Chairman mentioned that a reply had been received from the Civil Governor of Canton to the Chamber's application for exemption from export tax of all goods sent through Canton to the Exhibition, stating that exemption would be granted under the same conditions as in the Panama Exhibition some years ago. The reply did not convey any idea of the form and extent of the concession, and the Chairman thought it would be better to again write to Canton for further information. The Chairman added that the restaurant scheme which the Exhibition Committee, at their last meeting, decided to abandon, would be resuscitated and signs were not lacking of adequate support being forthcoming.

Mr. T. N. Chau said he had read all the applications from intending exhibitors and was of opinion that about twenty-six buildings would be sufficient to cope with the demand. Of the 24 buildings already allotted to the Chinese six would be used for the display of industrial processes, leaving only 18 available for saleable exhibits. In view of the limited accommodation the Chamber would have to reject some goods and to reduce the space asked for by some of the applicants.

Mr. Ip Lan-chuen said entire elimination of any of the applicants would be unfair and to save loss should not be done as all the applicants had already ordered exhibits. The Chamber, however, could stop receiving further applications.

Giving a summary of last Friday's meeting of the Joint Committee the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall said a telegram had been sent to London, advising the Exhibition Committee there that 125 Chinese would be sent from Hongkong, 100 men and 25 women and girls, and that the restaurant scheme had been abandoned on account of the expense involved. The London Committee had replied, urging the reinstatement of the scheme because an alteration in the general plans, which had already been perfected, would mean unnecessary waste of time. Besides, if properly run, a restaurant in the Chinese section should prove a profitable venture. If any difficulty should arise in securing an efficient staff, the reply stated, suitable men could be engaged in London to take up the management and Hongkong need only send waiters and others attendants. As regarded the Chamber's application for general exemption from freight charges for exhibits, whether intended for sale or otherwise, the Joint Committee had written a second letter to London on the matter.

"Authorised Exhibitors."

Mr. Kotewall said it was H. E. the Governor's wish that an official check be kept on the funds provided by the Government to assist Chinese exhibitors. As to the necessity for proper control of the money the Joint Committee was in agreement, and they had appointed Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews as auditors. Hon. Mr. Kotewall referred, in cursory manner, to certain forms prepared by the auditors for distribution among Chinese exhibitors to help them in keeping a check on the funds. The forms ask for particulars of exhibitors' names and addresses, specification and value of goods sent, etc. As to the procedure that had been proposed under the free-of-freight system, Mr. Kotewall said it had been suggested that only goods approved by the Joint Committee would be sent,

these to be known as "authorised exhibits" and "exempted from freight." All subsequent shipments must have the sanction of the three Commissioners before dispatch. These would be differentiated from "authorised exhibits," and would be sent at shippers' cost because the demand for them in itself would signify good business and it would be unreasonable, under the circumstances, to ask for exemption from freight. The Government had allotted \$150,000 to assist the Chinese, but doubts were expressed as to whether that amount was sufficient. Consequently it had been suggested that 5% be deducted from the proceeds of all sales of "authorised exhibits" or otherwise, to supplement that amount, the money thus raised to be drawn upon if the Government's appropriation should be found inadequate.

Mr. Ho Kwong asked if mention had ever been made in the Chamber's advertisements about the Exhibition of this 5 per cent. deduction?

Mr. Ip Lan-chuen replied that no mention had been made of the deduction but at the same time the Chamber had not announced that no deduction would be made.

No Discrimination.

In reply to a question from Mr. Ho Kwong as to whether exhibits sent by foreign firms would have to be approved by the Joint Committee before dispatch, Hon. Mr. Kotewall said that that point should be stressed. The requirement, to his mind, should also apply to foreign firms.

A paragraph in a letter sent by Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews to the effect that it was understood Chinese exhibitors would guarantee the return of their representatives from London created a deal of discussion. Several speakers said it would be unfair to fix the responsibility on exhibitors, who had absolutely no means of ensuring the return of their employees if they elected to stay behind in London.

At this stage the Hon. Mr. Hallifax, Hon. Mr. Holyoak, Mr. Blair and Mr. Fleming arrived, and pre-

vate conversational discussion with the four gentlemen was carried on by Sir Robert Ho Tung, and Hon. Mr. Kotewall. Between pauses during the consultation, the latter announced that the Joint Committee had eliminated the guarantee question altogether. Exhibitors need not be responsible for the return of their employees. If any of the latter chose to stay in London and were found without means of support the authorities in London would deal with them. However, the Commissioners, if proper representations were made to them by those who wished to stay in London after the Exhibition, might refer their cases to the British Government for consideration. The requirement that the Joint Committee's approval must be obtained before exhibits were sent would also apply to foreign firms.

The proposal that 5 per cent. deducted from the proceeds of all sales to supplement the Government's funds was put to the meeting by the Chairman and was passed.

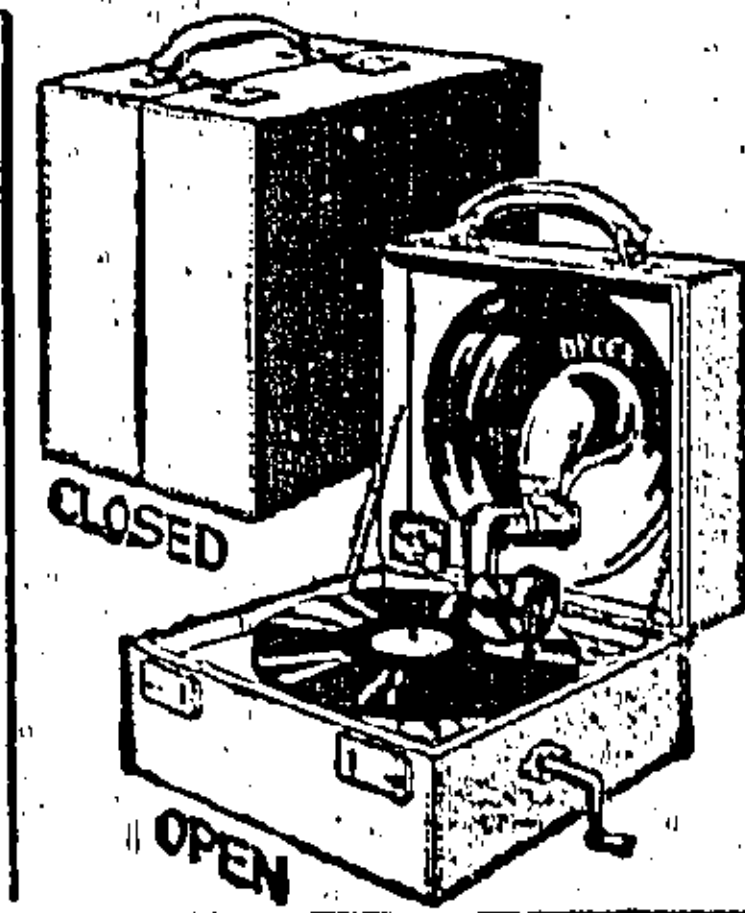
When asked to give a rough estimate of the space and number of people required for his scheme, Mr. Wu Siu-kue, chief supporter of the restaurant project, said forty men would hardly suffice. To make the restaurant a successful feature more would be required.

After consultation with Mr. Hallifax Mr. Kotewall informed Mr. Wu Siu-kue that due consideration should be given to the possibility of shortage of funds. The Government had voted only \$150,000. He suggested that Mr. Wu should again consider his scheme and reduce his estimate to as low a figure as would be compatible with a good show.

At the end of the meeting Hon. Mr. Kotewall, on behalf of the Chamber thanked Mr. Hallifax, Mr. Holyoak, Mr. Blair and Mr. Fleming for their attendance and help.

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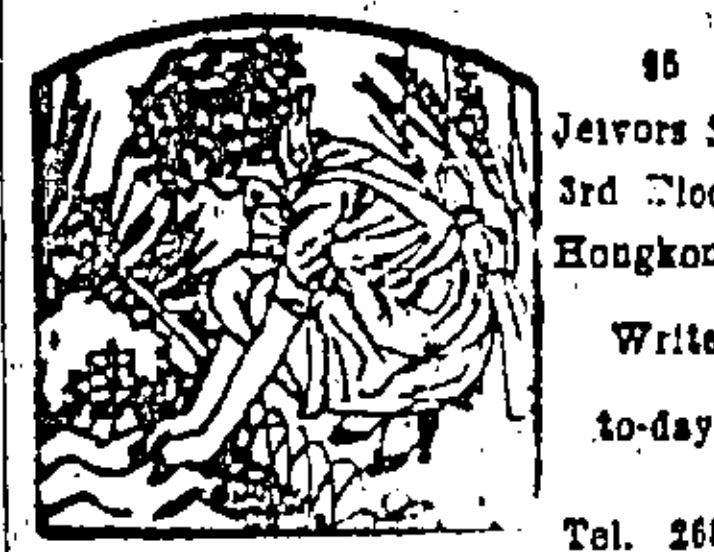
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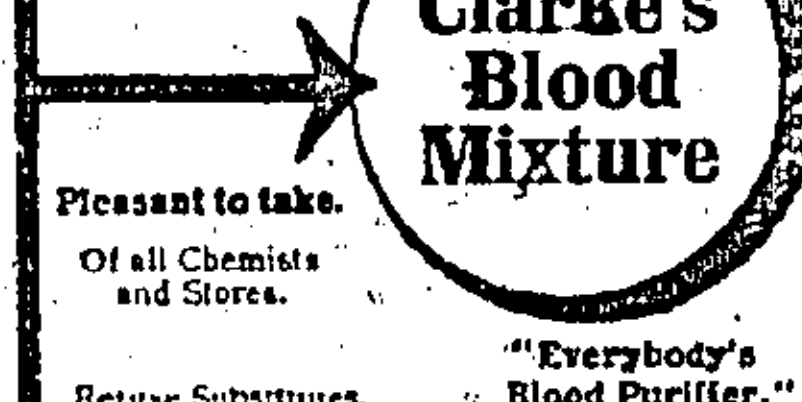
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STAYED AT BUOYS.

Ship's Captain and Agent in Trouble.

Captain J. Funnaka, master of the S.S. Sanka Maru came before Comdr. Beckwith, at the Marine Court, this morning, for not shifting away from his buoy to an anchorage for the night after the typhoon signal was hoisted on the 21st. Defendant explained that as his boiler-tubes were leaking he could not get up steam. As soon as they were repaired he shifted to Kowloon Bay. The case was dismissed, with a warning.

Mr. Li Koon-chun, agent for the S.S. Haldie, had to answer a similar charge in respect of the 17th. Mr. C. J. Thomson, Senior Boarding Officer, told the Court that the ship made fast to buoy C45 at West Point. The vessel was instructed to shift when the black signal was hoisted and the master had the Post Regulations. The black signal went up at 4.45 p.m. on the 17th, but the ship remained at the buoy until a quarter past nine the next morning. The typhoon was then almost at its worst. The Haldie stranded at Kennedy Town and the buoy was dragged some 150 feet. The Magistrate ordered the owners of the ship to pay the expenses of lifting and relaying the C45 moorings.

NAVAL NEWS.

China Station Appointments.

Surgeon-Commander Ernest MacEwan, who recently returned Home from China, where he was principal medical officer in the "Titanis," submarine depot ship, has taken up a post in the Vulcan, depot ship of the Periscope School at Portland, where Surgeon-Commander C. J. E. Cock has been serving since February, 1920. The "China Express" reports: Lieutenant-Commander C. M. Campbell, who is to join the Hawkins, flagship of the China Station about the beginning of September, has been temporarily attached to the Intelligence Division. The date of his joining the flagship has been postponed accordingly.

Lieutenant H.H. Rogers was to proceed to join the Despatch early this month. The new fleet gunnery officer of the China Station is Commander S.L.G. Ingham, who is joining the flagship Hawkins. Commander Ingham will be included in the staff of the Commander-in-Chief. He has been expert in gunnery for many years and saw a great deal of service in the late war.

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A part like this is made to order for Douglas Fairbanks, who is due at the Coronet on Saturday in his latest screen triumph, "The Mark of Zorro." The period is that of Mexican California about one hundred years ago. Fairbanks is his usual smiling self throughout, and his acting is quite a revelation. Needless to add, he is as surprisingly athletic and active as ever—in fact, his stunts in this film put all others in the shade.

"The Mark of Zorro" is undoubtedly a high-class production, which will appeal to all classes.

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MALARIA RESEARCH.

Work of Ronald Ross.

In the unfortunate difference of opinion that has been exhibited in connection with the Ross Memorial Institute, it will be of interest to note the views of Sir James Cantlie, which he gives in the "Journal of Tropical Medicine." He writes so as to smooth the adverse views that have been expressed, and at the same time to do justice to all the names that have been associated with the prevention and cure of malaria. He tells us that the great discovery of the part played by the anopheline mosquito in the spread of malaria formulated by the late Patrick Manson, and proved by the patient labours and the scientific acumen of Ronald Ross, has been before the world for well-nigh a quarter of a century. The part played by Ross in this great drama of science was for the most part a practical one, and not the less wonderful in its material bearing. Without belittling the important work of Bignami, Grassi, MacCallum, and others, it may be said that the four men chiefly concerned in this epoch-making discovery are: Laveran, who found the parasite of the disease; Golgi, who proved the plurality of species of the organism; Manson, who formulated the mosquito theory; and Ross, who worked out the chain of evidence to a practical issue. Each of them played a glorious part, and, now that well-nigh a quarter of a century has but severed to clinch the truth of the whole story, it is meet that due recognition should be given to the last of those who crowned the investigation with success.—E.R.

ARCTIC HEROES.

Honour After Eight Years.

A gallant band of men, who took part in one of the thrilling episodes during the Trans-Antarctic Expedition, have been rewarded after eight years.

Two of the four men so honoured are dead.

The London Gazette recently announced that the King had awarded the Albert Medal for gallantry in saving life the following:—

Ernest Edward Mills Joyce, ex-Petty Officer, R.N., William Raymond Richards, Victor George Hayward (dead), and Petty Officer Harry Ernest Wild, R.N. (dead).

The object of the Shackleton Expedition, it will be recalled, was to cross the Antarctic Continent from the Weddell Sea to Ross Sea by way of the South Pole, a distance of 1,700 miles.

As sufficient supplies for the party could not be carried, a chain of food depots on the Ross Sea side as far south as possible was necessary.

To supply these ports the ship Aurora was sent to McMurdo Sound on the Ross sea.

During a blizzard in May, 1915, the Aurora was blown out to sea, and nine members of the expedition were left stranded on the shore.

"CARRYING ON."

Despite the serious shortage in their equipment, they decided to establish the chain of depots, as a failure to carry out this part of the programme would have led to the loss of the main body who had intended to cross the Continent.

A party under Sub-Lieutenant A. L. Mackintosh, R.N.R., and consisting of the Rev. A. P. Spencer-Smith, Messrs. Joyce, Richards, Hayward and Wild, and three others who assisted for a part of the journey, left Hut Point, Ross Island, on October 9.

They took with them two sledges and four dogs, and 162 days elapsed before the surviving members of the party were back at Hut Point, the total distance covered being approximately 950 miles.

Mr. Spencer-Smith had to be dragged on a sledge for 42 days, mainly by hand labour.

When more than 100 miles remained the collapse of Lieutenant Mackintosh imposed an additional burden on the active members of the party who were all suffering from scurvy and snow blindness, and were so enfeebled by their labours that at times they could do only two or three miles in 15 hours.

Mr. Spencer-Smith died when 19 miles remained, but Lieutenant Mackintosh was brought in safely to the base.

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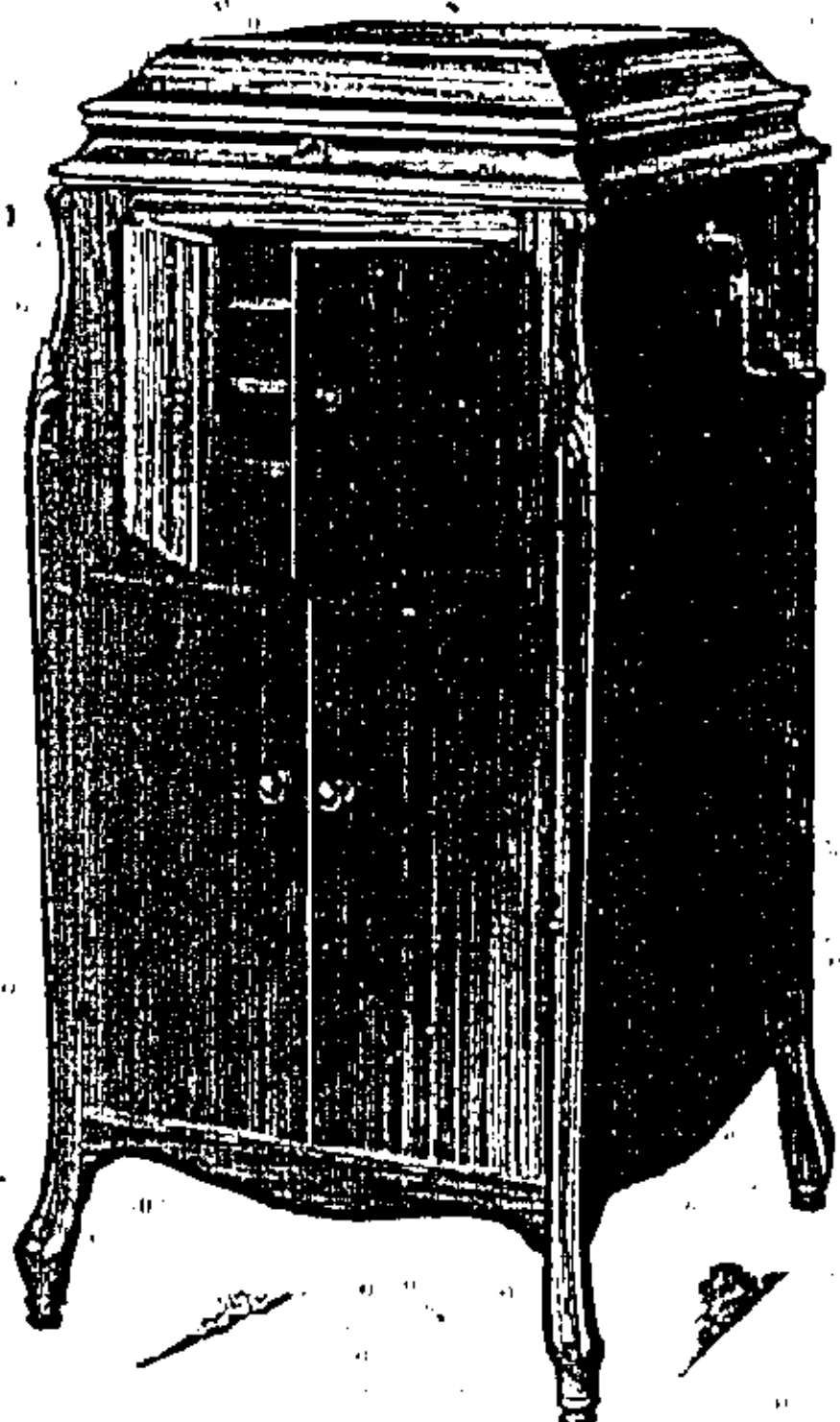
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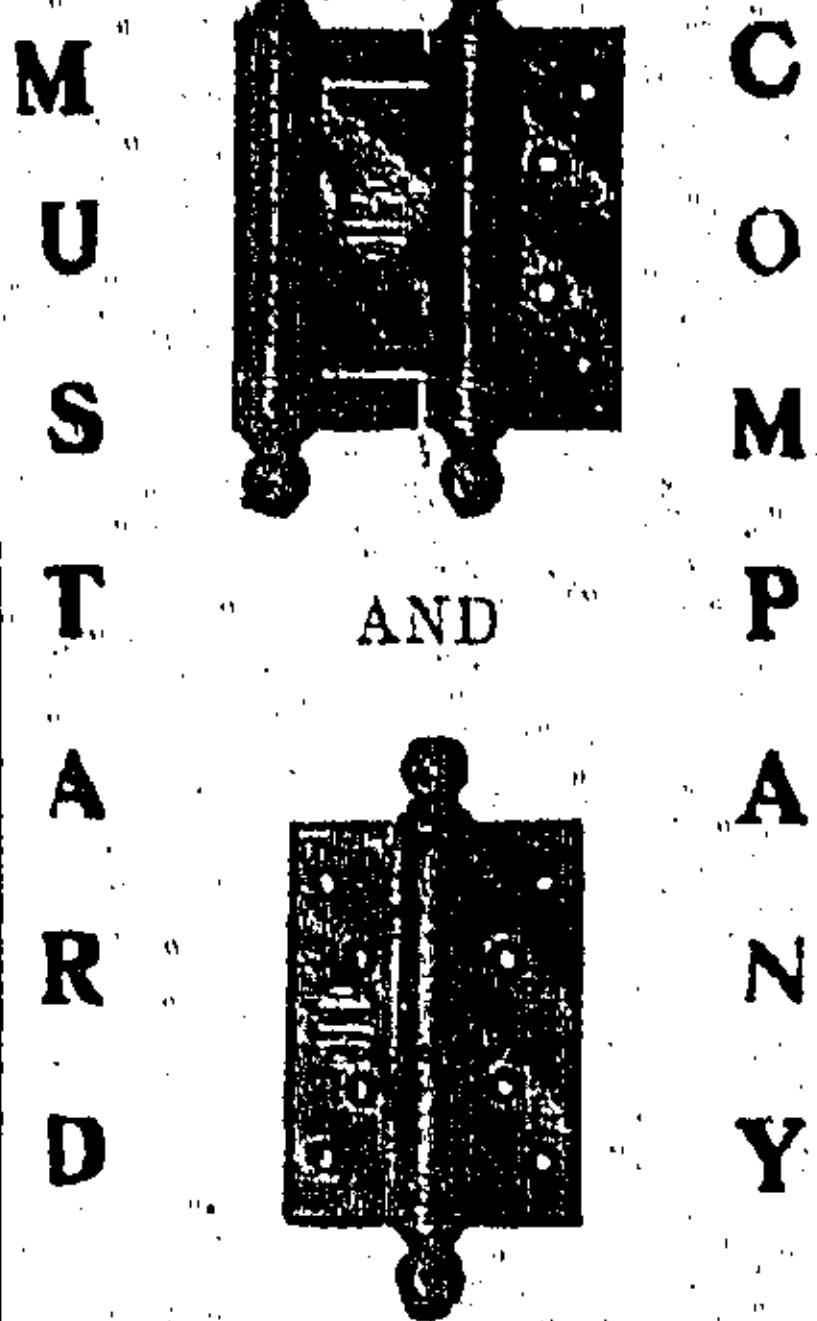
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BIRTH.

KREMER.—On the 23rd. August, at the French Consulate, 13 Peak Road, to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kremer, a daughter, Marie, Madeleine, Paule.

The Telegraph.

HONGKONG, 24th August, 1923.

FRANCE REPLIES.

Just as there are two sides to every question, there are means of each side presenting its particular point of view in the best light. Thus we find much in the French reply to the British Note that appears favourable to our Ally. The whole point of the contentions put forward by France is her strict adherence to the terms of the Treaty of Versailles. Seemingly she still thinks it possible, despite modifications that have been necessary with other treaties—that with Turkey, for example—that the pact of Versailles can be carried out to the letter. At the same time she appears willing to modify the actual amount of the reparations claim. The French reply, in this connection, rightly points out that concessions to Germany in the past have merely been followed by further defaults. In considering this aspect of the matter, one cannot help feeling that the German people themselves, who are the sufferers, have been shamefully "let down" by their leaders. To a great extent they are now reaping what their rulers have sown. It is claimed by the French Government that Germany's capacity and resources should be estimated periodically; at the same time it is declared that "Germany's capacity to pay is zero, by wish of the German Government." We imagine that the capacity to pay is likely to remain near zero for a long time yet, even were the authorities to desire otherwise. This point is, according to the French contention, to be left to the Reparations Commission, for "a valuation by experts would be useless," and "to substitute experts for the Reparations Commission would be contrary to the Treaty of Versailles." So there we are, back at the beginning again, and with small prospect of Allied unity on one of the main principles of the controversy.

But that is not the only grave feature of the disagreement. Declaring that France did not go to the Ruhr to find money for reparations but to seize pledges

and create a German will to pay—he seems to have created a will not to pay, instead—the reply avers the French determination "not to abandon one centime of reparations, or the pledge she holds, until reparations have been completely paid." The italics are ours. France "upholds the legality of the Ruhr occupation," which will only be "modified" when passive resistance ceases. We shall leave out the discussion of inter-Allied debts, on which an understanding can more readily be arranged; but when it comes to extraction of payments from a country while her chief industrial area is nearly non-productive, we fail to see how French expectations are going to be realised. Worst of all, in view of the wide differences of opinion still exhibited, we cannot see how the whole tangle of reparations in conjunction with Allied unity is going to be solved. We regret to have to state that we fear there is little prospect now of further Allied unity.

Hongkong Roofs.

Yesterday the S. C. M. Post had a few observations regarding roofs. As our contemporary rightly says, the typhoon has revealed the weakness of many Hongkong buildings is to be found in the roofs. There are to-day, especially on the Peak, many residences wearing a very tattered and torn appearance by reason of the roof tiles having been partially or wholly stripped off. Luckily, it is very rare that we get wind of the velocity of that experienced last Saturday. Indeed, the marvel is that even more damage was not done. All the same, it has been amply proved that tiled roofs do not withstand the ravages of gales too well in this part of the world. We imagine, therefore, that the demand in future will be for flat concrete roofs, upon which the wind can get little, if any, hold. Those houses which escaped serious damage on Saturday were, for the most part, residences with flat roofs. There is another point that might be mentioned. At least one instance has come to our notice in which many of the tiles were stripped off from quite a new roof. Examination showed that the mortar used for laying the tiles was little other than mud. We fear there is far too much of this kind of thing happening in local building construction. What is needed is more mortar-testing. A few surprise visits paid to houses in course of erection might result in some of these cheating contractors being brought to book.

Kowloon Police.

The Government cannot agree that the Police Force in Kowloon "is altogether inadequate," says Mr. Fletcher in replying to the complaints made by the K.R.A. The point, it seems to us, is whether it is inadequate in any respect. We are officially assured that the Force has been recently strengthened and that it will be further augmented if necessary. All we can say is that Kowloon residents have not noticed the increase—it certainly is not perceptible, they say. In any case, the Government's statement is in distinct conflict with the experience recently recited by Mr. W. S. Bailey, who is on the spot and knows what he is talking about. In recent years, Kowloon has grown tremendously, and there is a distinct feeling in the peninsula that police protection has not kept pace with the growing needs of the settlement across the harbour. And we fear that the Government assurances have not succeeded in removing that impression.

CHINESE Y.M.C.A.

New Acting General Secretary.

The Board of Directors of the Chinese Y.M.C.A. met last evening and appointed Mr. Tsui Mo-fat as Acting General Secretary in the place of the late Mr. Hoh Shiu-lau.

The new Secretary is a graduate of Canton Christian College and has been Educational Director of the Hongkong Chinese Y.M.C.A. for the past six years. He was also for a year Executive Secretary of the Senior Division, and has therefore had seven years' experience of Y.M.C.A. work here.

DAY BY DAY.

THE FELLOW WHO MAKES HIS OWN WAY GENERALLY HAS HIS OWN WAY.—*Coleman Cor.*

There was a clean bill of health in the Colony yesterday.

Sir Jehangir Kothari, O.B.E., left by the Empress of Australia.

Mr. Au Sim has been appointed Director of the Government Mint in Canton.

An ordinary letter from Germany, received by us to-day, had stamps on it to the value of 1,200 marks.

The local Stadium Committee is forwarding proposed rules in connection with the suggested Stadium and is asking for a site to be selected. If a suitable site is secured, the financial side of the question will be taken up.

Messrs. Horley, F. C. Dewley and P. Barnicle are the latest recruits in the Hongkong Police Force. They arrived yesterday by the P. and O. liner Mantua. All are ex-members of the Royal Irish Constabulary.

For being in possession of 920 percussion caps, a returned Chinese from the United States was fined \$50 by Mr. C. D. Melbourne at the Magistracy this morning. The caps were concealed in three tins of talcum powder. An order for confiscation was made by the Magistrate.

Masters of all vessels are requested to give a wide berth and to reduce speed when passing North Point cable area, as the telephone across the harbour from North Point to Hung Hom is being examined and repaired. Craft engaged on this work will show the usual red flag by day and the red light by night.

At the National Rifle Association meeting at Bisleigh, on July 20, the China Challenge Cup, which is shot by County Territorial Teams of 6, was won by the County of London with 283 points. The city of London scored 272 points, West Lancashire and Kent 271 each, Sussex 269, Essex 265, East Lancashire, Gloucestershire, Dorsetshire, Devonshire, and Hampshire 262 each, Suffolk 256, Surrey 253, and Glamorganshire 251.

QUICK MAIL.

There was another quick mail delivery yesterday, due to the early arrival of the P. & O. s.s. Mooltan. She carried mail despatched from London on the evening of the 26th July and arrived in Hongkong at 5.30 p.m. yesterday—28 days from London.

TYPHOON VICTIMS.

Memorial Service to be Held.

In connection with the loss of life in the recent typhoon, we learn that a memorial service has been arranged to take place in St. John's Cathedral. The service will be held on Friday, 31st instant, at 5.30 p.m.

TYPHOON PICTURES.

Two Pages To-morrow.

Those who wish to secure good pictures of the typhoon damage, to send Home to their friends, will do well to buy to-morrow's *Telegraph*, which will contain two pages of excellent illustrations. None of these pictures have been published by us before, and they will include one showing the sinking of submarine L.9.

EUROPEAN Y.M.C.A.

Government Presents the Site.

We learn that the official documents in connection with the Government's gift of a site for the European Y.M.C.A. in Kowloon have been forwarded to the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., the President of that organisation. There is thus completed a most magnificent gift. The area of land is 30,100 square feet and if put up for auction it would have an upset price of about \$230,000, but would certainly fetch much more. Actual work on the foundations of the new Y.M.C.A. building, adjoining the Post Office, Kowloon, has now begun.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph.")

Kowloon Motor Buses.

Sir,—After witnessing another discourteous action on the part of one of the drivers of the Kowloon Motor Bus Co. to-day, may I draw attention through the medium of your correspondence columns to the general impertinent and uncouth behaviour of a good many of the employees of this Company, as this is by no means the first instance of such conduct I have witnessed?

This being a general utility concern, one would think that the management would endeavour to instil in their employees' minds that by being courteous to all passengers they attract trade, but take the case to-day, referred to above.

A lady with a small child wished to alight from Bus No. 936 (I took the number of this particular bus), near the Bus Co.'s Garage or Office, but although the conductor blew his whistle for the driver to stop, this individual took it into his head to refuse to do so because there was a stopping "post" about fifty yards away, although he had previously stopped many times on the journey from the Star Ferry where there were no "posts."

On principle I fail to see where the contention of such drivers comes in that they will only stop where there are "posts," when they actually stop many times for passengers to alight at places all along the routes where there are no such things as "posts," and having witnessed this anomaly on quite a number of occasions by drivers of the Kowloon Motor Bus Co. I can only conclude that it must be because they do not wish to oblige the public in general but individuals only.

Against this the Kai Tak Motor Bus Co., practically stop whenever called upon to do so, and as they also stop at most of the stopping places to which the Kowloon Motor Bus Co. lay claim I do not see how the latter Company can actually claim these stopping places as their own personal property.

Now that there is an opposition Company running a service it may interest the management of this company to know that a little courtesy to the general public is necessary and any discourtesy only reacts in the receipts of the company concerned.

It would probably also be to the benefit of the Kowloon M.B. Co. to instruct their drivers in "safety first" and the rules of the road, as some of them appear to have very hazy ideas of these principles.

Yours etc.
ORIENTAL.
Kowloon, Aug. 23rd, 1923.

ANOTHER MURDER.

Coolie Killed With a Hammer.

Another murder has come to light in a report received from Stanley this morning. Police officers arrived at a match shed near the Tyamuk reservoir last night to find a man lying dead on a bedstead. Investigations reveal that the fatal injury resulted from a blow on the stomach inflicted with an instrument believed to be a hammer.

The dead man, whose name was Tang Sang, was one of a force of two hundred coolies employed in the construction of the new catchwater for the reservoir. The question of accommodation, which had become difficult owing to the havoc wrought by the typhoon on the matchsheds, is said to have supplied the motive for a quarrel which is known to have broken out between the deceased and other workmen. When the police arrived, subsequent to the report sent in the murder had cleared. The fatal assault, it is said, occurred in the open. The deceased sought flight and returned to his match shed, where he died two hours afterwards.

CHINA'S PRESIDENT.

Preliminary Election Soon.

Peking, Aug. 23.—This afternoon's information states that a meeting of the two Houses decided that the preliminary election of a President be held any day before September 13. Wu Ching-lien will consult with the Administrative Committee of the Senate on the subject.—*Reuter.*

SUB-LETTING PROFITS.

Judgment in Rents Case Re-hearing.

A judgment of more than usual interest to landlords, tenants, sub-tenants, the legal profession and probably more particularly to those who make the Colony's laws, was delivered in the Summary Court by Mr. Justice Gompertz, this morning.

The case concerned the letting of premises in Peel Street. The tenant paid \$37 a month rent for a whole floor, while he charged the sub-tenant \$77 a month for a portion. When the case first came before the Court, His Honour held that the law allowed the tenant to do this. Application was made for the case to be re-heard. His Honour re-heard the case last week and this morning delivered his decision, for the second time holding that the local Ordinance did not prohibit the tenant making this sub-letting profit.

Mr. F. C. Jenkin (instructed by Mr. M. K. Lo) put the sub-tenant's case and Mr. M. M. Watson appeared for the tenant. His Honour said:—"On the first hearing of this case I gave judgment for the plaintiff. It has been pointed out that my decision is of importance both to tenants and to landlords, and that it is desirable that the point of law should be argued by counsel. I have, therefore, re-opened the case for argument."

The enquiry here must be at what date is the actual rent of this tenement to be taken for the purpose of determining its standard rent. There was an earlier letting of the whole floor at \$37 per month and a later letting, that is to say in the third month, of a portion of the floor, the tenement with which I am now concerned, at \$77 per month.

"I have already held that as there is no power of apportionment under the Hongkong law, the later date, that of the separate letting, must be the appropriate date."

"It is now put to me that the English cases, *Marchbank v. Campbell*, 1923, 1 K.B. 245; *Woodhead v. Putnam*, 1923, 1 K.B. 258; *R. v. Marlborough O. Court Judge*, 1923, 1 K.B. 365, show that the crucial test is whether there has been substantial structural alteration. If there has been no such alteration, then the date is that of the first letting of the whole tenement. But none of these cases, in fact, depart from the principle of the reasoning in *Woodward v. Samuels*, 122 T.L.R. 681. Where you have two dates to select from, and the legislature has provided for apportionment, it has manifested its intention that the appropriate date is that which fixes the standard rent of the whole. Then, if there has been no substantial structural alteration, apportionment comes in to ascertain the rent of the part. But where there is no provision for apportionment, there is then only one date which can be taken—the date that is to say of the separate letting of the part—the date that it becomes a domestic tenement—otherwise there is no means of fixing a standard rent of the part. This, as was pointed out by Salter J., in *Woodhead v. Putnam*, 1923, 1 K.B. at p. 256, can only be done by apportionment."

"But Mr. Jenkin carries his argument further. If the standard rent of the whole is—say X—then the standard rent of the part cannot be more than X, and the plaintiff here cannot, at any rate, recover more than X—that is to say \$37. The answer to this is that the law has made no such provision. As Wood J. observed in another connection in *Leung Lin-san v. Him Sang-fat*, 16 H.K.L.R., at p. 55, 'The Ordinance has provided no machinery by which the Court can deal with portions only of a domestic tenement.'"

"In my opinion, therefore, the standard rent of this part is the rent at which it was first separately let, that is \$77, and the plaintiff keeps his judgment. Costs on the highest scale."

NEW D.P.W.

Hon. Mr. T. H. Creasy Arrives.

The new Director of Public Works (Hon. Mr. T. H. Creasy) arrived yesterday from Colombo by the P. and O. liner Mantua. He was met on arrival by officials.

We learn that Mr. Creasy took over the duties of his new office to-day. He is staying at Government House for the present.

FOOTBALL.

Battalion Competition.

The concluding matches of the King's Competition have been played since the report published last Friday, and, with the exception of the runners-up medals, the League positions are decided for another year.

No. 2 Group are Champions with a total of 33 points. The three teams who tied for runners-up position obtained 26 points each. A triangular contest to decide between these three teams is now in progress and the last match of the contest is to be played tonight at 5.30 p.m.

The "Wooden Spoon" goes to No. 16 Platoon as No. 8 Platoon, after occupying bottom position until last week, finished in the 16th place of the table.

No. 14 Platoon, who were Champions in 1922, finished up in the 8th position with 21 points, and No. 13 Platoon, who were runners-up, complete their fixtures with the same number of points as No. 14 Platoon.

Throughout the Competition the matches have been very interesting and well fought and in no instance has a match had to be put off through the failure of a team to turn out.

League Table.

The final League table reads as follows:

	P.W.D.L.	Goals.	F.A.C.
No. 2 Group	19 15 3	1 42 11 33	
No. 4 Group	19 11 4	4 41 18 26	
No. 1 Group	19 11 4	4 38 19 26	
No. 5 Platoon	19 11 4	4 36 21 26	
No. 10 Platoon	19 10 5	4 23 15 25	
No. 11 Platoon	19 9 5	5 32 17 23	
No. 9 Platoon	19 10 3	6 31 19 23	
No. 14 Platoon	19 7 7	5 25 19 21	
No. 13 Platoon	19 7 5	7 21 17 21	
No. 3 Platoon	19 7 6	6 21 25 20	
No. 1 Platoon	19 6 7	6 22 20 19	
No. 6 Platoon	19 8 2	9 29 29 18	
No. 12 Platoon	19 4 8	7 15 20 16	
No. 3 Group	19 6 3	10 20 33 15	
No. 15 Platoon	19 5 4	10 17 33 14	
No. 8 Platoon	19 5 2	12 15 41 12	
No. 2 Platoon	19 4 4	11 9 31 12	
No. 4 Platoon	19 3 4	12 20 32 10	
No. 7 Platoon	19 3 4	12 17 35 10	
No. 16 Platoon	19 2 6	11 13 31 10	

Week's Results.

Results of matches played since last Thursday:—

No.	No.
15 Platoon 4; 7 Platoon 0.	
2 Platoon 1; 16 Platoon 0.	
6 Platoon 2; 16 Platoon 1.	
8 Platoon 1; 2 Platoon 0.	
13 Platoon 2; 4 Platoon 0.	

Total Points.

Total points obtained towards the Battalion Football Cup:—

Headquarter Wing...	100
"C" Company...	87
"D" Company...	66
"B" Company...	66
"A" Company...	61

Triangular Contest.

The results of the triangular contest arranged to decide runners-up are as under:—

No.	No.
4 Group 3; 5 Platoon 2.	
1 Group 1; 4 Group 0.	

The remaining match between No. 5 Platoon and No. 1 Group is to be played to-night and is expected to produce a very keen struggle, as a draw would make No. 1 Group the winners of the medals, the contest being decided on points, while a win for No. 5 Platoon would place all three teams on equal terms again.

FOR THE KIDDIES.

"Buffalo Bill" at the Star.

There are precious few of us who during our boyhood days did not read those stirring tales of that Wild West hero, Buffalo Bill. The younger generation are more fortunate than we older folk; they can learn of the famous rough-rider in an even more interesting way, by seeing him on the movies. The Star Theatre has secured a Buffalo Bill serial. It is in eighteen parts, and the management intend to show three parts every Saturday afternoon, commencing at half-past two, this coming Saturday, so screening the complete story in six weeks. Unlike the usual run of serials, there is none of the blood and thunder stuff in this production. There are some real thrills, but the picture provides more than an afternoon's entertainment; its historical nature makes it a film of great educational value. Such episodes as the American Civil War are depicted, and the story brings in all the well-known characters in early American history. General Grant, Abraham Lincoln, Gen. Robt. E. Lee, Sitting Bull, the Sioux Indian Chief, and many others whose names are famous, come into this interesting film. It is a production every child should see, and most adults would probably find it of more than a little interest.

MILITARY SPORT.

Battalion Cricket League.

The annual Battalion Cricket League, which is a Company Competition, commences tomorrow with a match between Group "A" and "A" Company. For this League, Headquarters Wing ranks as two Companies under the designation of Group "A" and Group "B." The matches are of one innings and commence on Murray Parade Ground each afternoon at 3.30 p.m.

Hockey.

A half Company Hockey Tournament is to commence about 13th Sept.

The matches in this Tournament will be played on the Garrison Hockey Ground at Sookunpo.

AQUATIC SPORTS.

Lusitano R. C. Fixture.

The Lusitano Recreation Club propose to hold its third annual aquatic sports this year on the 31st of August and 1st of September at the Victoria Recreation Club Bath, by courtesy.

There will be 20 events in all and a list of these is posted at the Club Lusitano, Club de Recreio and Catholic Union Club where they can be referred to by any of the members of the community. Entries to competitors will be closed at 5 p.m. on Monday, the 27th instant.

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But when the honeymoon was o'er
She grew a slattern,
The dowdy negligee she wore
Was bad in pattern;
While he, who won her heart with his
Bartorial splendors,
Wore sloven shirts, unshaven phiz,
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To be unmasked,
And everybody wonders why
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BOXING.

Singapore Boom.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Singapore, August 23. Battling Key, who drew with Voll in Java, has been matched against Felky, of Manila, in Singapore. Voll is also coming to Singapore, and probably Jamito, Philippines champion, and reputed champion of the Orient will be here at the same time. All these Champion Lightweights may be matched for the championship of Orient. Boxing will thus receive tremendous impetus here. All the present bouts are in the open air at the New World Stadium, but big things are projected for the future.

ANOTHER ARMS CASE.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, August 23. James C. Creveling, Manager of the American Heating and Light Company, accompanied by Hilli Janko, a Rumanian, was arrested in an automobile for carrying 804 round of automatic pistol ammunition. He entered a general denial of knowledge that the ammunition was in the car. The hearing is being continued before the United States Commissioner.

WRESTLING.

(Our own Correspondent.)

Singapore, August 23. The Russian strong man Limuskin, who has met Hackensmidt, defeated Darsen, champion of Java, in the sixth round of a thrilling contest at Singapore last night.

The Russian is a heavyweight and Darsen a middleweight. The Russian is the older. He showed tremendous strength and great coolness, but Darsen had amazing agility and wonderful physique. Near the end of the fourth round Darsen almost had his man beaten, only two inches off the mat.

It was a surprising treat for a record crowd, who enthusiastically applauded Darsen for his wonderful struggle against great odds.

FRENCH PRIEST CAPTURED.

Peking, August 23.—Bandits have captured another French priest in the Talifu district—Heater.

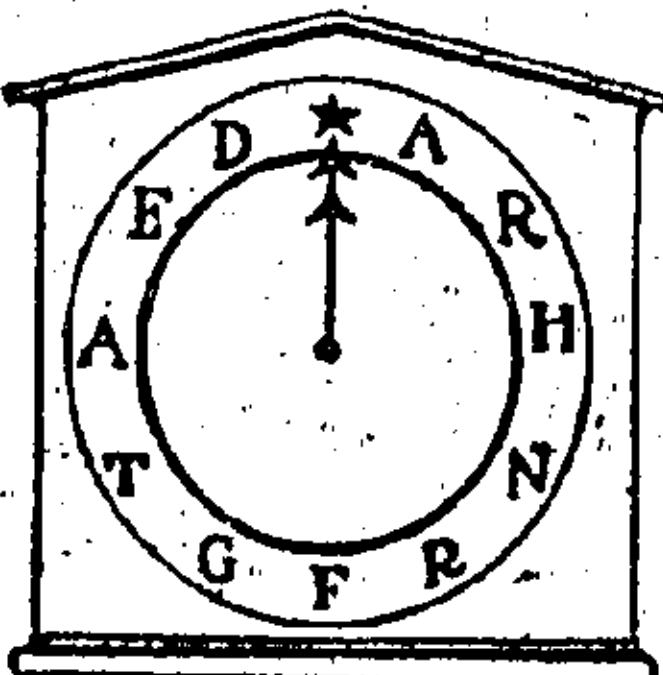
CANTON OUTRAGES.

Another Bad Day.

A correspondent in Canton writes us stating that Wednesday was another bad day for the coolies. The Yunnanese, just returned from the North River, were not satisfied with imprisonment, but when coolies found the loads too heavy for them the troops used their rifles.

It is reported that some of the coolies were even killed, but it is at any rate known for a fact that two had their heads split open by rifle bullets. The police appear to have made no attempt to interfere.

A PUZZLE A DAY.



The dial of the grandfather's clock shown above has letters on it instead of numbers. There are 11 letters and a star. Start counting from the proper point, and count a certain number around the circle. Check off the letter, and count the same number to another letter. Continue thus, and if you have chosen the proper point and the proper interval, you will find the 11 letters form a word.

Yesterday's Answer:
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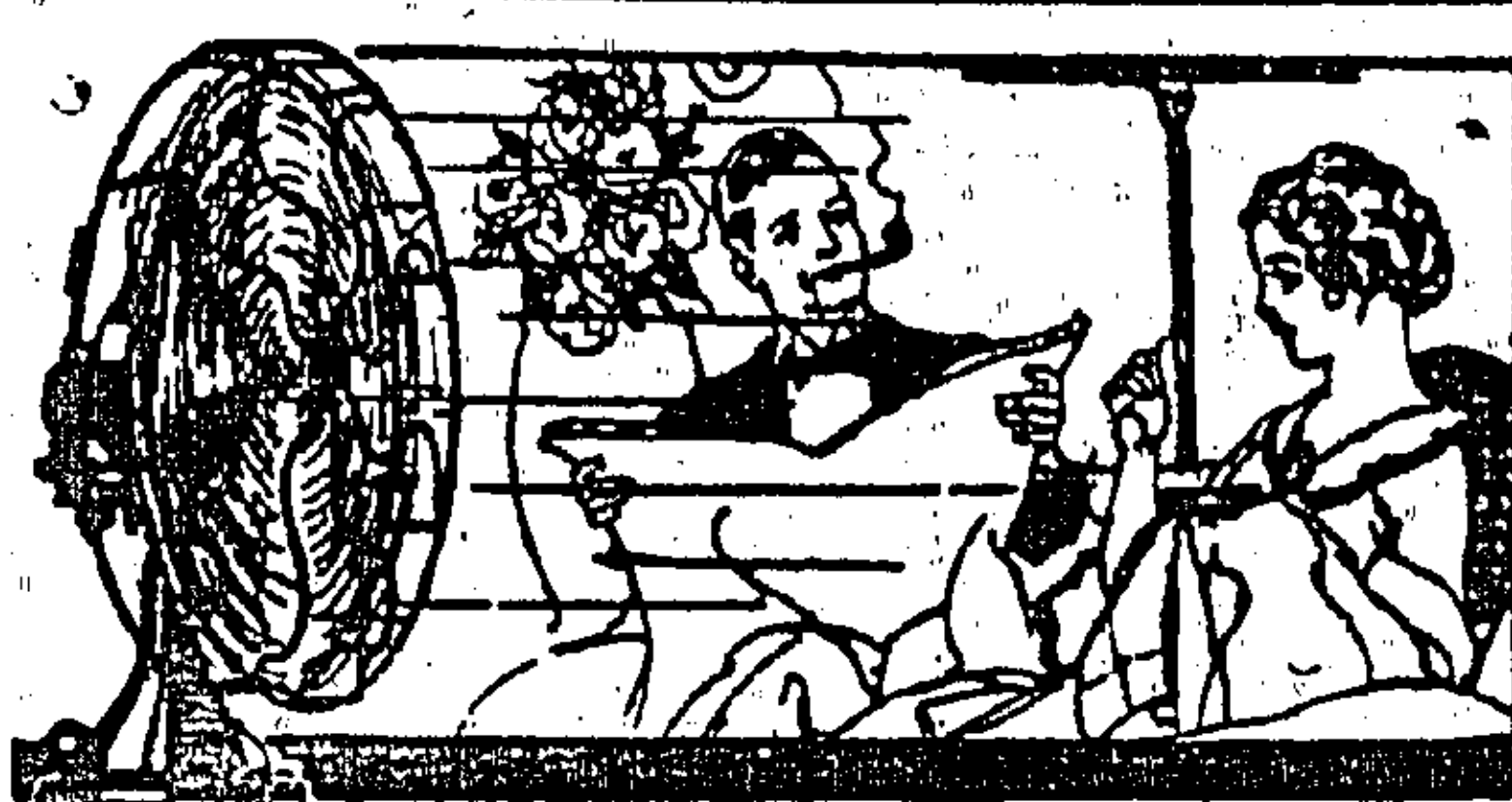
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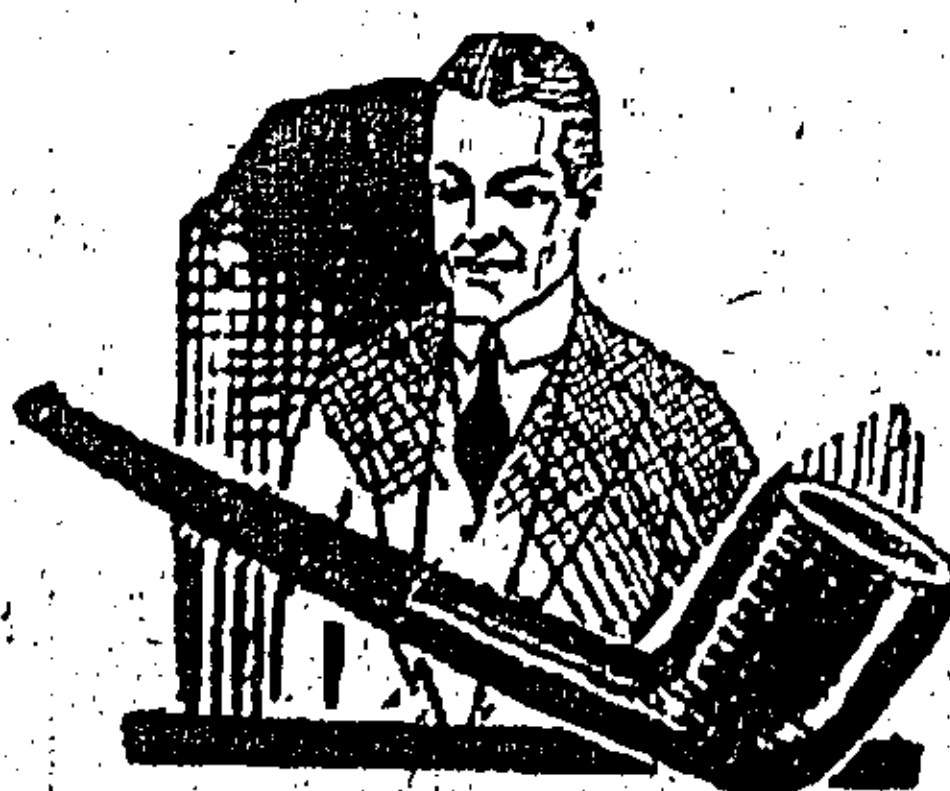
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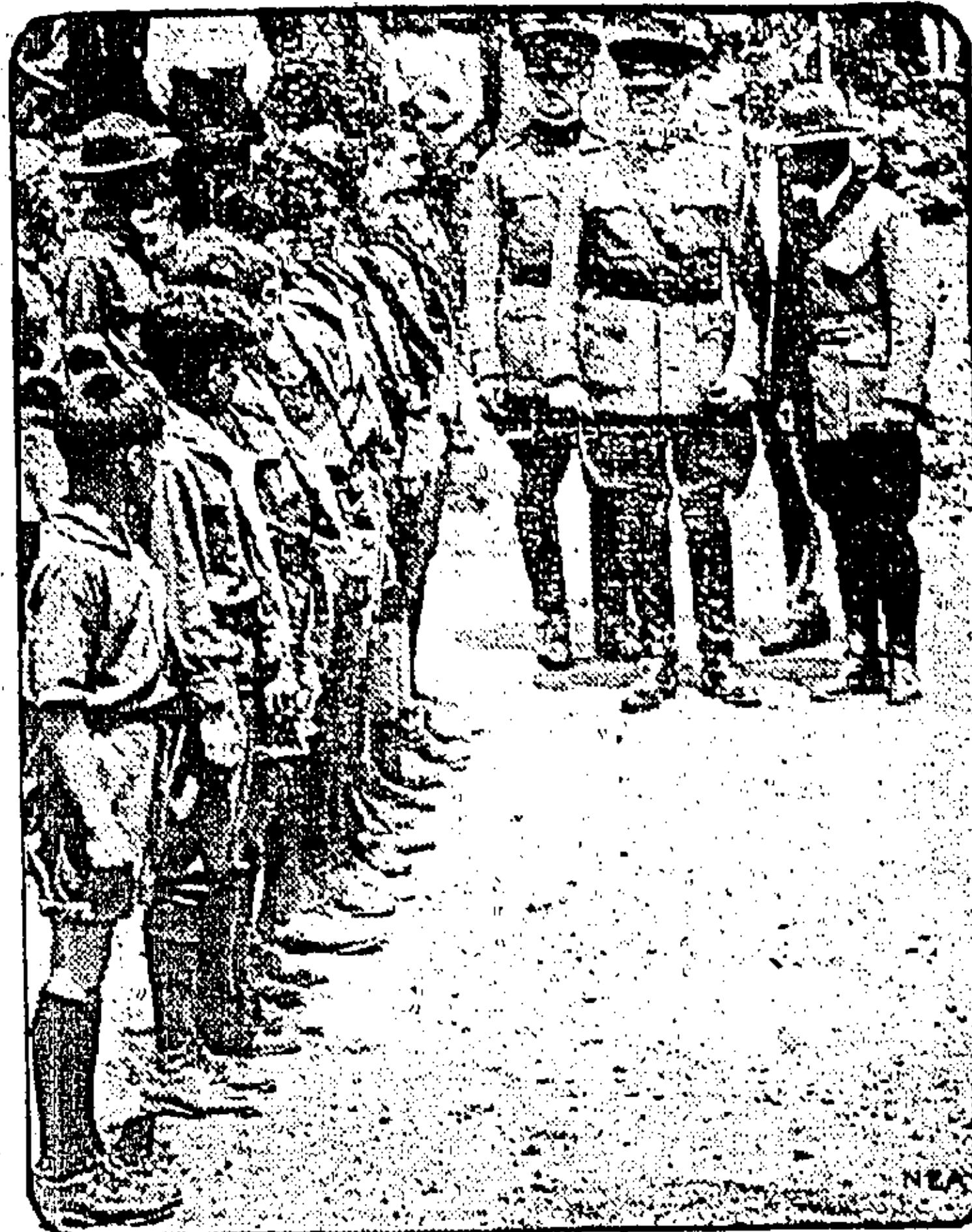
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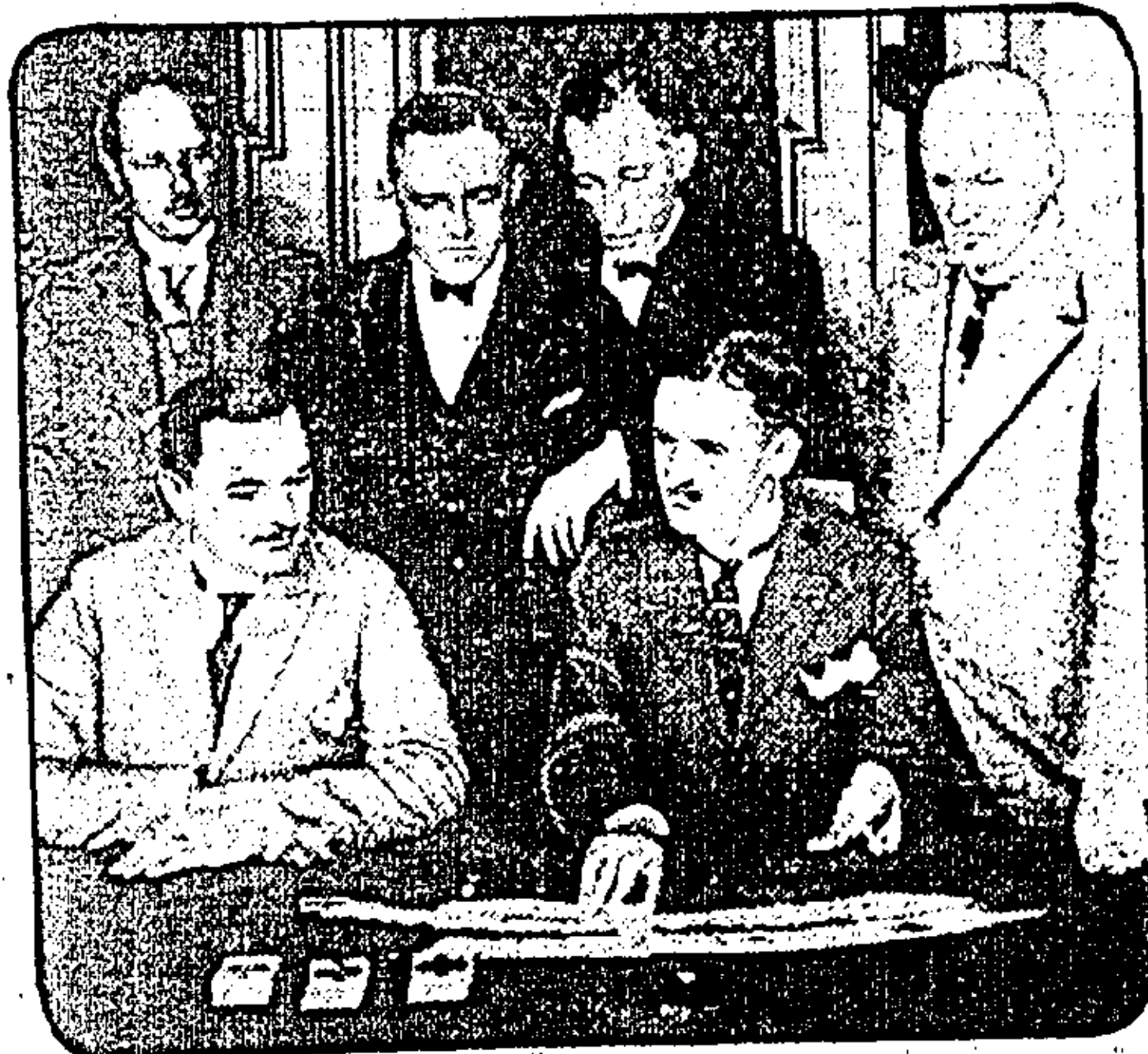
Three thousand Boy Scouts of New York and New Jersey will long remember the event pictured here—General Pershing inspecting them at their camp in the Palisades Interstate Park.



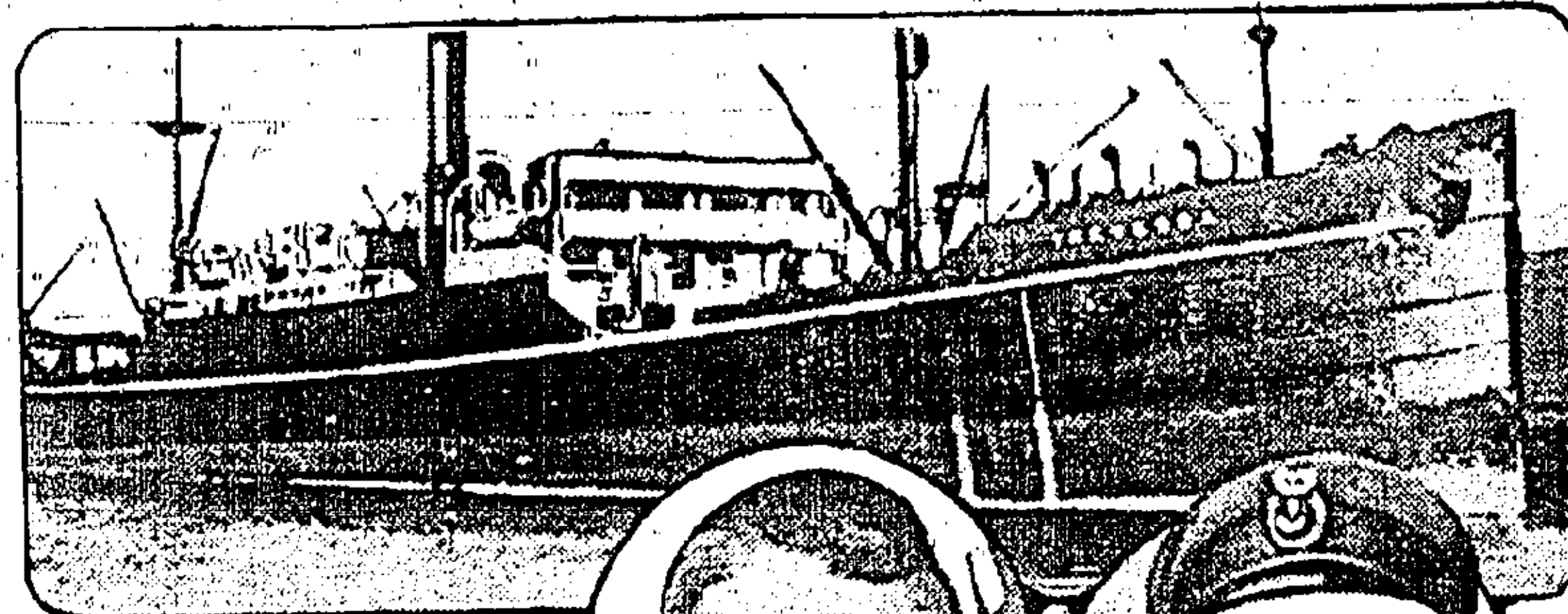
This is Carlotta Monterey, Penrhyn Stanlaws, the artist, says that she has the best profile in America and that she is one of the 13 most beautiful women in the world.



Blind girls are taught to swim and dive at Camp Munser, Iona Island. Here Elton Ellis, male instructor at the camp, teaches swimming strokes to some before trusting them in the water.



A German gambling casino has been opened at the summer place at Zopper and to secure managers and croupiers for the tables a school for gambling has been opened. Here some of the pupils are being shown the ins and outs of six-handed baccarat.



The Trevose, lost in a storm in the Indian Ocean. Inset: Capt. Stewart Smith and Chief Officer J. O. Stewart, rescued after three weeks in open boats.



What is it? It's a big-nose monkey. Rare species from Borneo. This is the only one alive in captivity. He's in the Berlin Museum.



This is Triumph, the work of Ernst Hogenbarth, of Vienna. Triumph has her foot on the heads of male victims.



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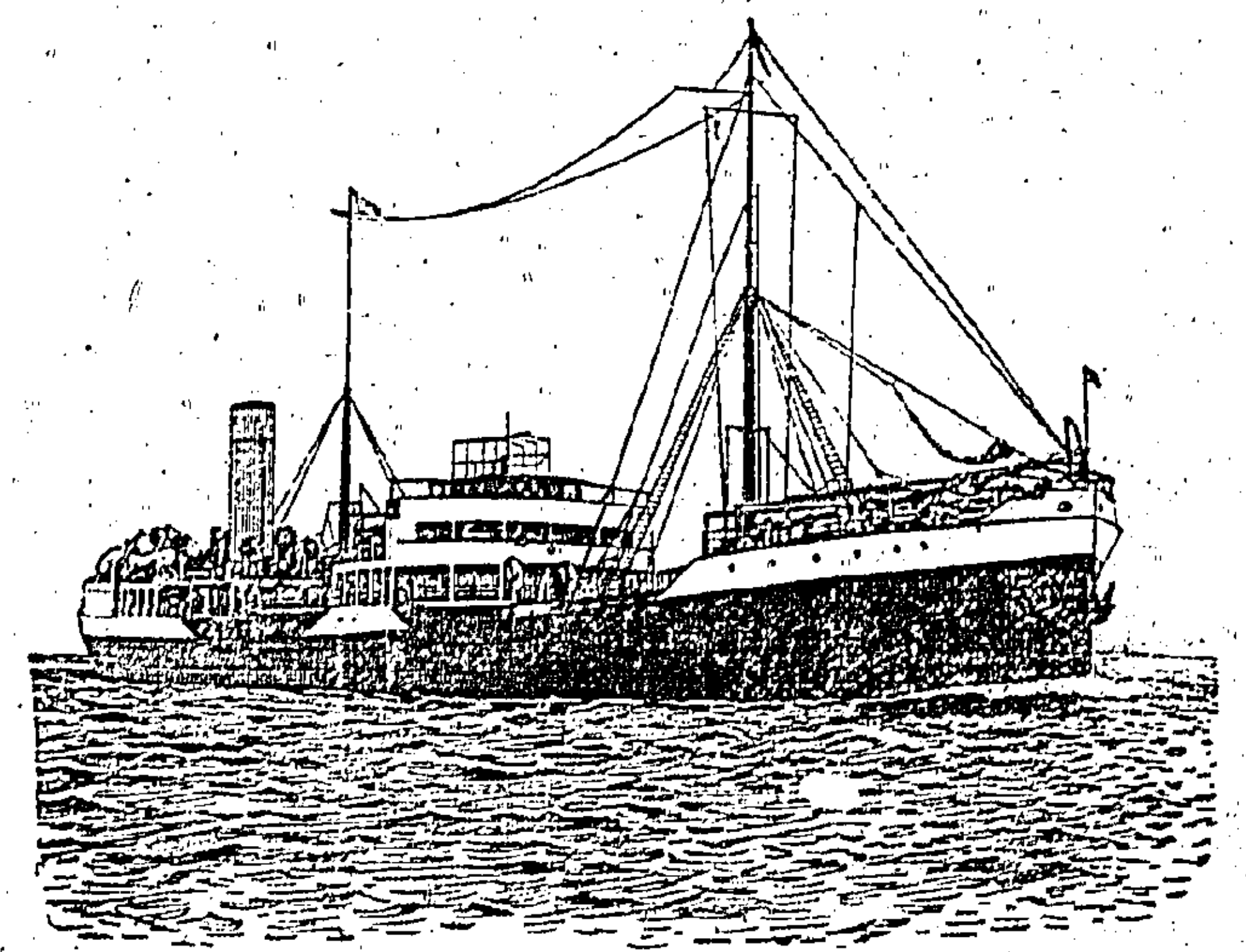
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Viscount Younger of Leckie, speaking at a late organised by the Banbury Division of the Conservative and Unionist Association at Shipton-under-Wychwood last month, declared that he never for one moment believed that the Coalition formed in 1918 would survive that particular Parliament. There was very nearly a second Coalition Election, said Lord Younger, and if in January, 1923, Mr. Lloyd George had had his way there would have been, and the Conservative Party would have been caught napping.

"The one mistake the late Prime Minister made—and it was a big mistake—was not to fight me when I opposed him in January of that year," proceeded Lord Younger. "That settled him, because the moment it was seen he was defeated in that way, and the moment people took into consideration that defeat, all the disgruntled elements in our Party and other parties made their voices felt, and an avalanche of opposition and criticism poured into the Central Office from that time until the Carlton Club meeting. But it would have been very different if Mr. Lloyd George had withstood the Central Office opposition at that time."

THE CONSERVATIVES.

If the Conservative Party had been broken and shattered, as the Liberal Party was shattered in 1918, this country would have been in a perilous state, and no one could have said what might have happened. He had heard it said that there was a good deal of genius in this matter. There was nothing of the kind. There was a guiding star, namely, unity to the Party, and it was a simple matter to say "No" to any step which in the smallest degree threatened to destroy that unity. Lord Younger paid a tribute to Mr. Bonar Law, and said that the ex-Premier's self-sacrifice in coming back and doing what he did at the Carlton Club saved the nation. Nothing less than that would be attributed to him by the historian.

"Don't imagine you are in a position of security," continued Lord Younger. "You have the most intensive propaganda going on at the present moment by the extremists of the Labour Party ever known in this country, and it is almost impossible for our Central Office to cope with it with the funds at their disposal." They had to counteract that propaganda to the best of their ability, and see that those attacks on the conditions in which we live must be resisted and resisted successfully. The one party in a position to do that was the Unionist Party. (Cheers.)—Observer.

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In the High Court, Dublin, recently the Lord Chief Justice Philip C. McDermott, solicitor, who practised in Boyle, co. Roscommon, was struck off the roll of the Incorporated Law Society, having been found guilty of professional misconduct.

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SOUDAN	6,696	17th Oct.	Spore, Pang, C'bo & B'bay

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ARAFURA	6,000	11th Sept.	Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
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AMBOISE	27th July	28th Aug.	1st Oct.
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SHANGHAI via Swatow	Walshing	Fri. 24th Aug. at noon.
KOBE via Amoy & S'hai	Kutsang	Sat. 25th Aug. at 4 p.m.
HAIPHONG via Hoihow	Leesang	Sat. 25th Aug. at 8 a.m.
TIENSIN via W'wei	Chipsing	Sun. 26th Aug. at noon.
MANILA	Wingsang	Sat. 25th Aug. at 3 p.m.
N'CHWANG via S'hai	Taksang	Tues. 28th Aug. at noon.
BANGKOK via Swatow	Yatsing	Sun. 26th Aug. at 2 p.m.
SANDAKAN	Mausang	Tues. 28th Aug. at 11 a.m.
TTAO via S'hai	Yusang	Wed. 29th Aug. at noon.
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R. RODENFUSER

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All claims against the vessel must be presented to the undersigned before the 3rd of September, 1923, or they will not be recognized.

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REMARKABLE BOOK.

The Ways of Insects.
 Some two years ago Major Hingston, in "A Naturalist in Himalaya," showed unusual patience in the observation of living insects and great skill in analysing their behaviour. He has now, in "A Naturalist in Hindustan," taken the same qualities from high mountain valleys to the hot and level plains of the United Provinces, and shows an even enhanced power of setting down his accounts of the behaviour of ants, spiders and beetles in a fashion that is attractive to the lover of nature and a contribution to the most difficult study of the borderland between instinct and intelligence. Not a page in his book is dull or without significance for the description and interpretation of animated nature. No better example of his methods can be found than his account of what he calls the "byre-building ants." It has long been known that many species of ants feed largely on the excretions of insects and bugs, which in their turn extract an abundant supply of fluid from the juices of plants. Darwin mentioned this case as a possible instance of one species acting solely for the benefit of another, but Major Hingston interprets the occurrences differently. Although the plant suckers discharge the fluid readily when they are "milked"—that is to say, gently tapped and stroked by the antennae of the ants—they can also be seen elevating the tips of their abdomens and squirting out surplus fluid without external stimulation. The ants do no more than take advantage of a natural habit. But they take care to secure full advantage. They construct marvellous sheds to house their insect kine and to prevent their escape, in the process of construction employing living tools.

Having discovered a group of coccids or of "mealy-bugs" sucking from a stem, a group of ants, apparently under the direction of a foreman, collect plum-d seeds and various foreign objects and build first a wall and then a roof over them. The bug larvae have the power of secreting threads of silk; the ants seize one of these larvae and hold it with the silk forming an organ directed against the inner wall of the "byre" moving it hither and thither until a network of sticky filaments binds the discrete particles into a solid and substantial wall. Not only do they enclose their "kine" in such byres, but they bring fresh bugs into the fold. Major Hingston has watched one or two ants patiently herding their reluctant captives, prodding and pushing them in by inch along the branches until they are at last driven into security. Nor are the bugs willing captives; Major Hingston tried the experiment of breaking into a byre, upon which the bugs tried to escape but were promptly herded back by their masters.

HOW ANTS COMMUNICATE.
 In another chapter, the powers of communication possessed by ants are described and discussed with reference to the particular species studied. Here is Major Hingston's description of the instinct in its fullest development. A single worker discovers a treasure. It races back to the nest with the news. In a few seconds an army comes bursting from the gate; there are hundreds in this insatiable swarm, and without hesitation they dash over the soil until finally they reach and envelop the prize. But the full development of this remarkable operation is not realized until we closely investigate the act. Then we will discover that the army is independent of a leader; it works out along the track of the ant that brought the news without requiring to be shown the way. It, in fact, retraces the path of the discoverer under the guidance of its sense of smell. This is the very height of the communicating efficiency. A worker arrives, proclaims the news, and without the necessity of its further cooperation the army secures the spoil.

But how does it "proclaim the news"? On that vital point Major Hingston says nothing. If the incoming ant merely diffuses the scent of the discovered booty, the ants may do no more than obey the olfactory tropism and follow backwards by an acute sense of smell until they reach the source. Were this the interpretation, the sequence of events would seem simpler than other cases which Major Hingston sets down as more primitive. He writes:—
 I frequently witness a more instructive performance, which illustrates, I believe, the primitive foundation on which the faculty of communication is based. I see a pair of workers make their exit

TYPHOON WARNING.

The telegram quoted below was received by the American Consulate-General, Hongkong, from the Manila Observatory at 10.15 a.m. to-day:—
 Warning: Low pressure area extending from the China Sea to the Pacific across Northern Luzon and the Balintang Channel. A real typhoon may develop later.

from the nest. One follows immediately on the other, and away they go in the direction of a tree. The first is clearly the leader of the pair. The second is being led. There is no possibility of doubt about this. They never change their respective positions; the second keeps close up to and immediately behind the first. . . . The one in the rear continually makes little forward rushes to touch the tail of the one in front. By so doing it knows that it has not lost touch with the leader in advance. The leader, too, assists in maintaining connexion.

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Hongkong August 24, 1923.		183 1/2 dis.

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KING EDWARD MAIL.

From	To	Date
Manila	Pres. J. H. Brown	24th Aug.
Shanghai	Szechuen	25th
Straits	H. K. Saki M.	25th
Shanghai	Shanghai	26th
Japan	W. K. Saki M.	27th
London Letters via Brindisi 31st July	Tand	27th
U.S.A. Canada, Japan & Shanghai	Pres. Grant	27th
Australia & Manila	Victoria	27th
Shanghai	S. K. Saki M.	28th
Japan	R. K. Saki M.	28th
Bombay	Nagano M.	29th

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date
Hoihow Pakhoi & Haiphong	Yunnan	Sat. 25 inst. 8 a.m.
Manila	Wingwang	Sat. 25 inst. 2 p.m.
Amoy	Buteang	Sat. 25 inst. 2.30 p.m.
Pakhoi & Haiphong	Kaipong	Sat. 25 inst. 5 p.m.
Manila	Achilles	Sat. 25 inst. 5 p.m.
Shanghai Japan, Canada, U.S.A. & C.	Parcels 3 p.m.	
S. America & Europe via Victoria	Pres. J. H. Brown	Sat. 25 inst.
	Registration	5 p.m.
	Letters	5 p.m.
	(Due Victoria 14th Sept.)	
Hoihow & Bangkok	Ship sails 10 a.m. 26th inst.	
Weihow	Shanghai	Sun. 26 inst. 8 a.m.
Szechuen & Bangkok	Chingling	Sun. 26 inst. 9 a.m.
Shanghai & Japan	Y. Hing	Sun. 26 inst. 9 a.m.
Swatow	Hakozaki M.	Sun. 26 inst. 9 a.m.
Weihow	Haiphong	Wed. 26 inst. 9 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, S. Africa, India via Dhankhodhi, Bombay & Aden	Kuichow	Mon. 27 inst. 9 a.m.
Sandakan, Amoy & Foochow	Wakana M.	Tues. 28 inst. 9 a.m.
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, S. Africa, India via Dhankhodhi, Egypt & Europe via Marasilia	Mansang	Tues. 28 inst. 10 a.m.
	Haifoong	Tues. 28 inst. 10 a.m.
Manila	Suez M.	Wed. 29 inst.
Sandakan	Registration	8.45 a.m.
	Letters	9.30 a.m.
	(Due Marasilia 30th Sept.)	
	Pres. Grant	Wed. 29 inst. 3.30 p.m.
	Hirang	Thurs. 30 inst. 10 a.m.

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Place of Observation	Highest W.L. ever recorded Feet	Highest W.L. recorded Feet	W. L. Aug 22 Feet	W. L. Aug 23 Feet
Wuchow West River	+ 79.50	-2.42	60.6	—
Kongmoon	+ 14.70	-0.80	—	—
Linkonghow North	+ 57.00	-0	8.5	—
Jamsui	+ 27.25	-5.00	21.9	21.7
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WEATHER REPORT.
 FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.
 District. Forecast.
 1 Formosa Channel S.W. winds, freshening.
 2 South coast of China between H.K. & Lamooks. Light, variable winds; fine.
 3 Hongkong to Gap Rock. Light, variable winds; fine.
 4 South coast of China between H.K. & Hainan. E winds, moderate.
 T. F. CLAXTON, Director.
 I. K. Observatory, Aug. 24, 1923.

Aug. 24d 12h. 35m.—Pressure has decreased very considerably in the neighbourhood of Shanghai. It is nearly stationary at Hongkong and has increased slightly from Luzon to Yap.
 The Loochoos typhoon will pass very near Shanghai this afternoon.
 Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day. 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 62.64 inches, against an average of 63.20 inches.

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